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PACIFIC PACT SUPPORTED

Canton, July 16

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek today made it plain that in his opinion Acting President Li Tsung-jen was the only acceptable deputy to preside in his absence over the newly organised Supreme Council which will direct the Nationalists' continuing war against the Communists.

The top Kuomintang councils—the Central Standing Committee and the Central Political Committee—this morning unanimously approved the Generalissimo's personal nomination of President Li to be the sole vice-chairman despite earlier manoeuvring aimed at forcing the appointment of Dr. Sun Fo, scion of the founder of the Nationalist Party.

Both the Acting and retired Presidents pledged their mutual support and co-operation for continuing resistance in speeches before the combined committee meeting.

In addressing the select audience of the most powerful Chinese leaders the Generalissimo again stressed the importance of defending Kwangtung Province—from which the Kuomintang movement started a quarter of a century ago—and which is now the seat of government and key province in the defence plans for South China.

"We must start from Kwangtung in following the spirit of the Northern expedition and the doctrine of Dr. Sun Yat-sen," the Generalissimo said. He called for co-operation from the government and people and called the present the "turning point for the Nationalists ultimate achievement of victory." He also asked support of the government for the proposed Pacific Pact which was discussed earlier this week with Philippines President Quirino.

Acting President Li spoke for the government, of which Chiang technically was not a member, and pledged support for a Pacific Pact and full co-operation against China's Communists: "Hand in hand in co-operation with friendly minor parties we will exert ourselves for an early completion of our plans," he said.

Signs Of Progress

As the Generalissimo's meetings enter the third day some definite signs of progress can be noted. Among these are:

1. Increased evidence of optimism. The Generalissimo has infused the spirit of his own stubborn refusal to concede defeat. He has expressed his confidence in President Li's ability to handle affairs of state.

2. Kuomintang factions now are reconciled, on the surface at least.

3. The Provincial Governors have been impressed with the necessity of showing more co-operation with the Central government—something which had been lacking so far.

4. Chiang has brought China back on to the front pages of the world's newspapers with his return and personal contact with the crisis. His flight to Baguio to meet President Quirino went a long way in that direction.

5. The Generalissimo's efforts have let the world know that China is trying to do something toward self-help.

6. The stamp of approval has been given to the Cabinet's decision to make a new stand in Kwangtung rather than move Westward.

Sentiment has a bearing on that decision. As the Generalissimo pointed out to members of the Kuomintang in one meeting held here, it was Canton which was the birthplace of the revolution and the place from where the Generalissimo rose to world fame when he commanded the Northern expedition in 1926-27.

The Generalissimo is also working for increased co-operation of the three branches of military service by which they will produce concerted action instead of independent action as before.

Agreement Passed

The Chiang Kai-shek-Quirino agreement was unanimously passed amid applause at the Central Political Council and Control Executive Committee joint meeting today, reports Reuter.

Acting-President Li Tsung-jen gave full support to the agreement and declared at the meeting: "China and the Far Eastern countries should immediately organise themselves into an anti-Communist union in view of the Communist threat."

Marshall Yen Hsi-shan and other high ranking members of the Kuomintang immediately issued a joint statement, which said: "In view of the threat of the aggressive influence of international Communism to world peace and the security of the Far Eastern countries, this conference deems it imperative that the Far Eastern countries must immediately strengthen their solidarity and unify their policy and action for the elimination of such threats, in order that their freedom and independence can be protected for the accomplishment of this common purpose.

"The Far Eastern countries must establish an organisation for regional mutual help and cooperation under the principles of the United Nations charter.

"This will be a necessary step not only for the security of the Far Eastern countries but also for the maintenance of world peace and human freedom." — United Press and Reuter.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) the typhoon was centred midway between Okinawa and Southern Kyushu moving NNW at 12 knots. It is expected to weaken and to recurve towards the NE. Pressure continues low over China with little pressure gradient over the South China Sea. A ridge of high pressure extends W across the Pacific to Japan.

Today's Forecast:—Light or moderate variable winds mainly SW. Fair with brief local showers chiefly during morning.

Yesterday's Weather:—
Maximum: 86.1 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 75.0 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 5.3 hours.
Rainfall: 38.6 mm.=1.52 ins. Total since Jan. 1—1062.6 mm.=41.83 ins. as against an average of 1165.4 mm.=45.40 ins.

	Readings at 10 a.m.	4 p.m.
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	Equals 29.83	29.74 inches
Rel. Humidity	89	76 %
Dew Point	75	72 deg. F.
Wind Direction	WSW	SW
Wind Force	1	8 knots.
Tides:—	Time	Ht.
High	0559	4.6
"	1851	5.0
Low	0213	0.8
"	0821	2.1

War Bonuses For Sailors In China Waters

San Francisco, July 16.

United States seamen's unions today won war bonuses for members sailing in Chinese waters. The masters, mates and pilots union and the sailors' union of the Pacific signed a 90-day agreement with the Pacific Maritime Association today, covering bonus payments ranging from 75 to 100 per cent of the basic pay.

The area covered extends from a point North of Hong Kong to the Korean peninsula and 150 miles at sea.

The payments are in addition to the $2.50 daily war risk money paid to members under a contract signed during the war, which is still effective.—Reuter.

Threat To Changsha, Hengyang

Canton, July 16.

The Communist threat to the Canton-Hankow railway towns of Changsha and Hengyang is steadily developing, according to informed sources in Canton, who believed that General Lin Piao's recent small-scale operations are a curtain-raiser to the long-awaited Southward offensive.

This front is said to be more important than Shensi in North West China, and Fukien, in South East China, where skirmishes continue. Communist troops at Puchi, on the railway North of Changsha, and at Nanchang, on the highway to the East of Changsha, are both less than a day's journey from the Hunan capital. Floods, however, are impeding operations.

The Communists, which crossed the Kan river, in Kiangsi province, during the past three days, captured three towns, including Hsinyu, which is only 130 miles East of Changsha. This is their nearest position to Changsha.

There are indications that the Communists may by-pass Changsha and strike towards Hengyang further South, in an attempt to engage General Pai Chung-hsi's hard-hitting Kwangsi troops.

Sung Warned

The People's Liberation Army has warned General Sung Hsi-lien, the Kuomintang leader of the Hunan-Hupeh Pacification Area, not to blow up the dykes near Shansi, according to a New China News Agency broadcast picked up in London.

General Sung recently ordered his troops to dig a ditch about 1,200 yards long along a Yangtse River dyke, fill it with T.N.T. and blow it up when they retreated.

Should the order be carried out, eight counties East of Shasi, with a population of 2,000,000, would be flooded by the Yangtse, the agency said.—Reuter.

All Aboard, Men!

The sweet young thing with the most unworkman like grip on the oar in above picture is the London stage actress Miss Janice Lothian. Nice company for a day on the river—if you can get it.

Navy Escorted British Ship To Red Held Port

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

A Royal Navy sloop escorted a British commercial steamer into Tangku, nearest port to Tientsin, early this month, and kept vigilance till the vessel cleared port a few days later.

This was revealed by officers of the Norwegian steamer Germa, which arrived here yesterday from Taku Bar with 2,000 tons of North China products and nine Tientsin passengers after successfully running the Nationalist blockade.

Both British craft could not be specifically identified. It may be recalled, however, that the Butterfield and Swire steamer Hanyang reached the Communist port on July 1 and left on the third day.

The Germa, which left the Colony for Kobe on May 11 with 5,800 tons of general cargo loaded here, called at Taku Bar on June 27 after spending nearly two months operating in North China waters visiting Tsingtao and Chinwangtao to barter for Manchuria and Shantung products.

The Norwegian steamer remained until July 8. During her stay and en route to the Colony she did not meet any belligerent craft.

"On our arrival at Taku Bar there were already two other Norwegian vessels there. A few days after us a British steamer came in with a Royal Navy sloop following behind," the Chief Officer of the Germa said when interviewed yesterday.

While the commercial vessel discharged and loaded in cargo at Tangku, the naval craft anchored nearby.

Left Together

Both left the Communist port a few days later.

The Germa visited Tsingtao on June 2 and was a target of Communist shell fire from the shore when they occupied the Chili port.

"A few shells went over the bridge and exploded on the quay. No damage, fortunately, was sustained by the ship," the Chief Officer related.

In the evening several Red guards came on board. They were civil and courteous and went about their duties without molesting the Norwegian personnel.

"During our stay there none of us was allowed to go ashore. Even while at Taku Bar we were barred from shore leave," he said.

Asked for his opinion about the Nationalist blockade of the Tientsin area, the informant asserted that the Taku Bar area is too wide for mining.

"The Nationalists need plenty of mines to cover the expanse effectively," he declared.

As for the planes, Tientsin is too far for the Nationalist aircraft to safely bomb the area.

The Germa, now lying off Stonecutters, has an all-Norwegian personnel of 43, including the master, Mr. A. Lyngo.

She was chartered by the Trinity Development Company. Wallem and Company is the local agent.

Unlike the "hush hush" arrival of the British steamer Hangyang from Tientsin, the principals concerned frankly admitted the Tientsin visit. Even the ship's personnel were outspoken about their trip, in contrast to the Hanyang's crew, many of whom adamantly denied having called at the Communist port when approached.

Twelve Die In RAF Crashes

Berlin, July 16.

The British authorities said five Royal Air Force men were killed today when a Hastings aircraft crashed and burst into flames while taking off from Tegel airfield.

The names of the crew of the RAF Lincoln bomber, who were killed when their plane crashed in flames near Skelingthorpe, Lincolnshire, yesterday, were given by the Air Ministry today, adds Reuter from London.

The men were: Pilot Officer R. G. Ratcliffe (pilot); Flight-Lieutenant R. H. Knight (navigator); Navigator 2 G. MacCarthy; Navigator 2 M. G. Waterfall; Signaller 3 J. W. Adamson; Gunner 1 O. S. Brett; Gunner 1 F. G. Searle. The next of kin have been informed.

The Lincoln aircraft, which had taken off from Waddington, Lincolnshire, RAF station, on local flying, came down a quarter of a mile from an RAF bomb dump, 15 minutes after the take off.

There was an explosion as the aircraft, which was on fire, hit the ground.—United Press and Reuter.

LA SALLE COLLEGE ONLY SUITABLE BUILDING FOR HOSPITAL, GOV'T STATES

La Salle College is the only building in the Colony that has been found suitable for the requirements of the Army's temporary hospital, the Government Public Relations Officer said yesterday in a lengthy statement.

The statement—obviously a reply to the criticisms which have appeared in the editorial and correspondence columns of the "China Mail"—said that it will take at least 18 months before the Army's own 800-bed hospital is completed.

The full statement reads:

"Every effort has been and will continue to be made to avoid causing hardship to the civilian population. The military authorities have already started an intensive programme of building which will, it is hoped, gradually permit derequisitioning of premises which have been taken over. Before any building is actually requisitioned all possible alternatives are examined and the circumstances of each case are carefully considered.

"In some cases it has been possible to change plans in order to avoid causing severe hardship or prejudicing the general interests of the Colony's normal life. Unfortunately it has not always proved possible to avoid all inconvenience.

"Service reinforcements have been and are arriving quickly and obviously accommodation must be ready when they arrive. The accommodation will be used to capacity and in many cases temporary alterations have to be undertaken to provide for more people to live in a building than would normally be the case.

"In some cases workshops etc. have to be installed. The time available between notification of a unit's posting to Hong Kong and its arrival is limited and, while every effort is being made to build camps, etc. this is not always possible.

Building Hospital

"One of the most difficult requirements to meet is that of hospital accommodation. This obviously is a most important one and it is essential that the garrison should have adequate facilities. The Army are building an 800-bed hospital on a site provided by the Government but it will be at least 18 months before this is completed.

"Meanwhile it is necessary to find a building capable of being adapted quickly to provide 600 beds with staff accommodation, operating theatres, etc. There are few buildings in the Colony even remotely suitable for this.

"The fact that the Queen Mary Hospital provides 550 beds plus operating threatres, etc. gives an indication of the size of the Army requirement. Many suggestions have been investigated including various schools, all of which except La Salle College are too small, Rosary Hill monastery and the new Government flats at King's Park, now in course of construction.

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Arms Dump Explodes In French Zone

Frankfurt, July 16.

More than 30 people are believed to have been killed in an arms dump explosion which last night levelled to the ground half of the French Zone town of Pruem.

The town's officials said early today that 17 dead had already been found and that they thought at least 15 more might be among the wreckage.

At least 45 people suffering from serious injuries have been taken to hospitals in neighbouring towns. The arms dump was still smouldering early today and further explosions were expected.

A fire started yesterday afternoon among cases stored near an underground ammunition dump built into the Kalvarienberg (Mount Calvary), a hill overlooking the centuries-old town.

Church bells rung out to warn the people of their danger. As smoke curled up from the hilltop fire, word was passed round that the large ammunition store was ready to go up.

Made For Hills

Most of the town's 3,000 inhabitants made for the nearby pine-sloped hills of the Eifel Range. Some of the town people stayed, sceptical of danger as firemen fought to keep the blaze away from the ammunition.

Just before eight o'clock, two powerful explosions in the 60-feet deep chambers sliced the top off the hills, showering rubble and exploding ammunition on to the town.

Buildings tumbled down, among them the 60-bed hospital from which there had been no time to evacuate the patients.

The power station was also destroyed, so that rescue work had to go on by the light of improvised torches.

French soldiers, German police and firemen from the towns of Coblenz and Trior were rushed to Pruem and were still working among the devastation this morning.

Priests administered the last Sacraments to the dying as they lay in the streets or were brought to one of the town's restaurants, which was still standing.Reuter.

The King's Prize Winner

Bisley, July 16.

Captain E. S. Brookes of the RASC won The King's Prize today with a grand aggregate of 278.—Reuter.

TWO HOUSES TAKEN OVER

Two additional premises in the New Territories have been requisitioned for the Army.

The property is a house, known as "Water Vale" in the Castle Peak area, and house No. 2, Tsan Kwai Tsuen, near Ping Shan.

Censorship, Travel Rules In Shanghai

Shanghai, July 16.

The Communist Military Control Commission today listed censorship regulations for outgoing news despatches during the "military period." Another Communist agency announced new travel rules for foreigners.

Censorship has been in effect for several days.

The regulations specify that despatches should not directly or indirectly report weather conditions, targets, damage or casualties bombings and strafings, other security information and the location of Communist headquarters and billets.

Offending words will be struck out, the commission said, repeated violators will be "appropriately punished."

Travel Rules

Meanwhile, Shanghai's Security Bureau announced regulations governing travel by foreigners in Communist China.

Heretofore, foreigners had not been permitted to leave the city. Those in Nanking and other Communist cities have been allowed to travel, without limitations.

Travel time out of Shanghai will be limited to two weeks except in unusual cases. Only two points can be visited on a single trip without special permission.

Permits to leave China now are being issued—but there are no means of getting out. Foreigners wanting to leave China from Shanghai must state why. The departing foreigner must also have settled any labour problems. Several hundred Americans indicate they want to go home.

The U. S. Consul-General John Cabot, left Shanghai yesterday for Nanking to confer with the Ambassador Dr. J. Leighton Stuart. He may accompany Dr. Stuart to the United States, possibly next week, if he can obtain permission to leave China.—Associated Press.

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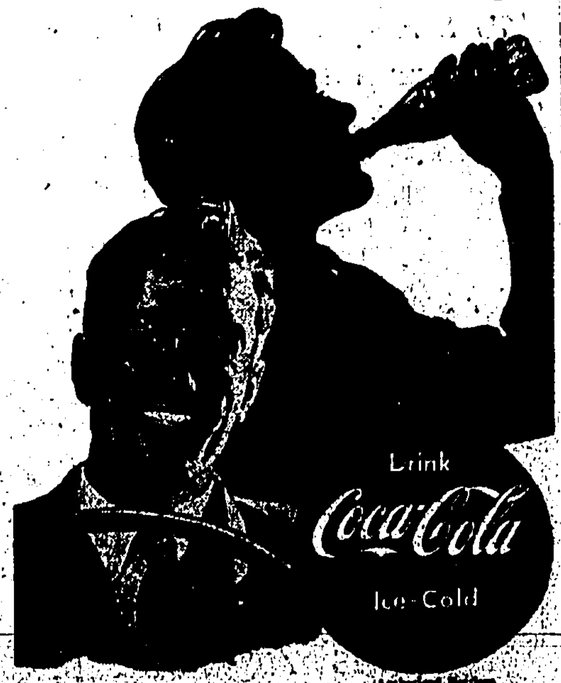

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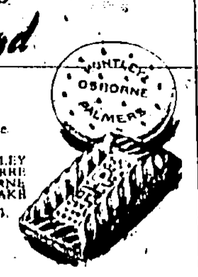

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Good Cause

Sir,—As previously stated in your columns this Society has refrained from making any public appeal for funds owing to the moderate demands on the capital in hand and to the large number of appeals that are now being made for other charities. The Committee, however, feels that it is due to those who have already subscribed voluntarily and to any other member of the public who may care to send us a donation, to state that the activities of the Society have been extended during the summer months.

The explanation is that when the solitary shelter which is now operating at St. Peter's Church was about to close down as usual at the end of April a petition was received from the inmates begging the Society to keep open for reasons given.

The Society is now sheltering in addition to the usual type of destitutes, a number of persons who lost their homes as a result of the fire at the Wing On Godown and other disasters in areas on which squatters' sheds have been erected. A large number of these people have been used to sleeping in some form of shelter and cannot face the prospect of sleeping in the open with their children.

Although it is not a part of the original object of the Society to give shelter during the summer months, it felt that this appeal cannot be ignored and the drain on the resources of the Society is therefore heavy. Any contributions will be welcomed and should be sent to our Hon. Treasurer, Mr. S. L. Maughan, c/o Messrs. Percy Smith & Co., Windsor House, Hong Kong.

D. L. STRELLETT,
Chairman,
Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

Dissatisfied

Sir,—From your report on the Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association, I see that no question was asked about that HK$3,000 which the Association paid out for the upkeep of a certain ground in the Race Course. No question was also asked about that attempted bribery incident.

Is the President of the Association aware of these issues which have blackened the name of the Football Association?

There should be an inquiry into the spending of that $3,000 and if the money has not been spent rightly, it should be refunded to the Association.

The Association reported a loss of more than $20,000. Surely the deficit must have been known to the Council before it voted honororiums for the Honorary Secretary and others? If so, why should the honororiums, amounting to $10,500, have been approved?

An inquiry into the $26,000 medical expenses should also be made.

NICHOLAS.

Another Old Boy

Sir,—I have to refer to your published report in Wednesday's issue of the "China Mail" regarding the proposed requisition by the Authorities of one of the leading schools of the Colony. What I have in mind is the disgraceful act in the requisitioning of La Salle College.

I admit I do not always agree with your editorials, but your editorial in the same issue of your newspaper on the subject was in complete concurrence with my views. What's the big idea, anyway, of wanting to requisition a school which provides for the education of some 1,000 students of the Colony? Hong Kong is already suffering from an acute shortage of schools as it is, without the Authorities aggravating the situation, with many thousands of young people deprived of a decent education on account of lack of schools.

It may be argued that the La Salle College will just suffer a change of address, with the Authorities offering alternative sites where the "displaced pupils" are to be housed in a wooden structures. But will this structure provide the same comfort, convenience and capacity to hold 1,000-odd pupils? I, personally, doubt it.

La Salle College provided many of us with a sound education—not a few of us holding high positions in the Colony. The school made us what we are now and we, naturally, are very grateful. La Salle suffered enough before the war, during the war and for some time after the war.

And now when the Reverend Brothers have just spent a considerable sum of money in completing repairs in an attempt to rehabilitate and put the house in order, the unwelcome news come that the Army is requisitioning the building, much to our just anger and intense indignation. As you mention in your relevant editorial, why on earth couldn't the Government just as well requisition some other building? Must it be a school which moulds the character and moral qualities of Hong Kong's future citizens?

Now that I have got all this off my chest and have ventilated my views on the subject, I wish to thank you, Mr. Editor, for taking up this cause.

TONY FRANCISCO.

Others Beware

Sir,—Apropos the contemplated requisitioning by the Quartering Authority of the La Salle College, I, in sympathy with those who have already voiced their dissension in the Press, must say that the action, if carried out eventually, is repugnant in the strictest sense of the word (sic.).

I quite understand the need of a colossal edifice by the military, but must the Quartering Authority base his selection on a school—and for that matter the La Salle College? Isn't this college with a thousand students of all nationalities and creed, pursuing their studies, a matter of national importance! If the Quartering Authority thinks it must be a school, why pick on this Catholic school in particular, when there are many others in the Colony? To St. Joseph's College, Wah Yan College, St. Mary's School, Maryknoll Convent, Italian and French Convent Schools—I say, beware! Who knows your turn may come yet! Let's play ball!

CANNOT SEE SENSE.

Why Not Leighton Hill?

Sir,—The Army needs a building for a proposed 600-bed hospital. Now, instead of taking over the La Salle College, why does not Government temporarily surrender the $3,000,000 Leighton Hill Flats to the Army and transfer the occupants of the 26 flats to the Government flats about to be completed at King's Park?

Working day and night shifts, the contractors should be able to complete King's Park in a short time. The King's Park project includes 48 flats.

When the Army completes its own hospital, the government employees could be transferred back to the Leighton Hill flats. The Army should be made responsible for the moving charges.

Unless the Army expects hostilities in the immediate future, I see no immediate need for a hospital to accommodate 600 beds.

The Leighton Hill flats can be converted to accommodate the Army's immediate requirement as far as hospital facilities are concerned.

Then, there is always the Bowen Road Military Hospital and the Naval Hospital on the Peak to which any overflow can be admitted.

NICHOLAS.

Not Any School

Sir,—Please allow me to use a little space in your correspondence column to thank those whom I feel grateful—parents and friends of the students of the La Salle College, for their petitions published in the "China Mail."

Although their petitions have not yet been granted by the authorities, they made one realise the amount of people in the Colony who cares for our school, its students and teachers.

As for the authorities I pray that they find another place, but not any school for their military hospital. I strongly believe that any brave soldier will not mind a little discomfort for the sake of the Colony's education.

T. A.

Editor's Note: We would call the attention of our readers to the announcement from the Press Relations Office published today, regarding the requisitioning of La Salle College. This, it would appear, was drafted before the appearance of yesterday's editorial in the "China Mail," as certain matters such as the availability of large mansion houses have evoked no comment. We still do not regard the cause as having been lost, but the next move must be up to the public, especially those personally concerned.

Billiards League

Sir,—Further to my letter which appeared in last Wednesday's edition of the China Mail, I was indeed most surprised to learn from "Rover's" comments that a Hong Kong billiards association had, at one time existed.

This being the case, I should imagine, that it would now be easier than I first thought to form another league.

Obviously, the first step would be to resurrect this Association, and, also to form a Control Council, by doing this, I feel certain that a more successful attempt could be made in getting things properly organised.

If any of the members of the last billiards Association (or Control Council—if there was one) are still in the colony, it would benefit us greatly, if they would step forward and explain the system under which the Association was run.

In "Rover's" comments, he states that "the interest in the game is increasing by leaps and bounds" and carries on to say that "a billiard table is one of the chief amenities in the majority of Clubs and Messes in the colony."

If this is the case, then the main difficulty in most Billiard leagues has been overcome before we even start organising, as it is generally the need for equipment that hits the financial jackpot so hard.

During the last few months, I have been in contact with a member of the English Billiards Association and Control Council (also the Editor of the "Billiard Player") who assures me, that if we succeed in forming a Hong Kong league, the English Billiards Association will do anything in their power to help us in any difficulties which we may meet; so here at least, is official support, from the main governing body on Billiards and Snooker.

Merely sending letters to, and inserting comments in the columns of a newspaper, concerning the reformation of the above-mentioned Association will get us nowhere, but will keep us running around in a "vicious circle" of suggestions, imaginations and possibly scattered hopes, so I again appeal to any member of the last Billiards Association (or Control Council) to come forward and assist us in our requirements.

Letters from any other clubs or messes in the colony who are contemplating forming a team, or who have already done so, would be greatly appreciated, as it will enable us to see the amount of support we have.

BILLIARDS SECRETARY.

Chinese Petition

Sir,—I have always read with great interest your well balanced editorials and in particular that of yesterday, entitled "Chinese Petition."

I agreed with most of your remarks for they are consistent with your previous points of view of championing the Chinese right to vote.

The point that Chinese councillors would in effect, "entail British Policy being swamped," is rather an alarmist interpretation which is unfounded. If Chinese nationals are denied a vote and the "self-government" is given to only two per cent of the population (according to the 1931 census Chinese British Subjects in urban area amounted to 15,143 and a few thousand British nationals) and these two per cent will rule the remaining 98 per cent, which means "Government by others" instead of self-government.

Six Chinese councillors with five non-Chinese will reduce the electorate of 98 per cent to a representation of 55 per cent only.

If you add the six officials, all are (and likely to be for some time to come) British nationals, to the five British or non-Chinese unofficials, then the percentage of Chinese representation (ratio of 11 non-Chinese to six Chinese) would further reduce the percentage to 30 per cent. The remaining one per cent of the population will actually have 45 per cent of the 11 seats and if six officials are counted as non-Chinese individuals, the ratio will be increased to 70 per cent.

The demand for six Chinese councillors is clearly not asking for an actual majority in the Legislative Council, but, rather by such allotment of seats to ensure that the one per cent. of Hong Kong's non-Chinese electorate is guaranteed more than a fair proportion of seats.

Once the real proportion is understood, a reasonable and realistic approach to this complicated problem of Constitution Reform of Hong Kong could be made.

B.W.

CHINESE PETITION READY FOR TRANSMISSION TO UK

The petition on constitutional reform, signed by 142 Chinese organisations in the Colony, will be handed to the Governor, tomorrow morning, for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Following the resolutions passed at a mass meeting of these organisations held at the Sun Kwong Hotel on July 13, the petition has been drawn up, and by yesterday morning all the signatories had appended their chops and signatures to it.

It will also point out that the motion of Sir Man-kam Lo, passed by the Legislative Council on June 22, suggesting the scrapping or delaying the setting up of this Council, was not representative of the wish of the general public.

The Electorate

The second point of the petition will be to insist on Chinese who are not British subjects being included in the electorate for the legislature, and also that electees to the Legislative Council need not necessarily be British subjects.

The system of nomination for both the Municipal Council and the Legislative Council will be opposed as being contrary to the principle of democratic government.

Heading the list of the petitioners are the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers Union, the Chinese Reform Association, the Kowloon General Chamber of Commerce and the Kowloon Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Flying Saucer's Target?

Pictured above is the Beechcraft plane which was struck by a smooth, shining object while flying over Shatin yesterday during a weather observation flight.
"China Mail" photo

"Flying Saucer" Hits Plane Over Shatin

A Beechcraft meteorological aircraft piloted by Mr. C. J. Chambers while on a flight over the Colony this morning, was suddenly struck by an object at an altitude of about 17,500 feet.

According to Mr. Chambers who is also a senior flying instructor at the Far Eastern Flying Club, his aircraft was flying in thin stratospheric air when suddenly he noticed a shining object flying past the aircraft from the port bow to the plane's starboard side.

In order to avoid this object which was flying at a very high speed, Mr. Chambers automatically steered his Beechcraft into a sharp left bank.

He felt a slight thud, then in a split second everything was normal again.

Mr. Chambers said that he was taking his aircraft to the maximum altitude of 10,000 feet for psychrometer readings.

When the aircraft had passed 16,000 feet a thin layer of rime ice was formed by the moisture in the cloud, on the aircraft's psychrometer and wings.

He said that at first he thought a large bird had hit his aircraft but on a second thought he believed that the object must have been a smooth edged circular object.

When asked whether a piece of ice might have struck his weather observation craft Mr. Chambers said that in the Stratosphere there is only moisture and there is no ice.

The time of the happening was about 7:45 a.m. only about 30 minutes after the aircraft had left Kai Tak airport.

Fabric Torn

When the aircraft touched down at the airport at about 8.15 a.m. Mr. Chambers discovered that the fabric on the inner side of his aircraft's starboard upper wing was torn and a slit about 4½ inches in length was present. Also present was a scratch which could have been made by a smooth edged object. The mark extended from the lower end of the slit to the trailing edge of the wing.

Immediately after the aircraft was parked in front of Jardine Matheson's Maintenance hangar at the airport, the torn slit was patched by mechanics.

A further survey of the condition of the Beechcraft revealed that the fabric on the upper side of the same wing also sustained a surface tear.

He estimated that the location where the incident happened was somewhere above Shatin, to the North of Kai Tak Airport.

Personalia

Mr. Sam Welles, correspondent of the "Time" and "Life" magazines, left the Colony yesterday morning by the Philippine Airlines for Manila.

Mr. Welles, who is covering the Far East for the two American magazines, was in transit from Tokyo.

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The forthcoming wedding of Jose Benjamin Chang-Sanchez, clerk, No. 13 Sharp Street, 1st floor, and Candelaria Ow, has been announced.

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Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Friday included Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Olie, Mr. and Mrs. F.J. Phillip, Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Shipton, Miss D. Eckley, Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. M. Gueymard, Mr. and Mrs. W. Young, Mr. and Mrs. G. Stammatiatos, Major and Mrs. D.J. Rauenzahn, Messrs. J.C. Yang, A. Garcia da Silva, F.J. Felico, M. de Blank, G.G. van Syll, Ramzan Meghji, K. Pulford-Davies, T. Farrell, C.Y. Hsieh, Y.T. Tsai, R.R. Pattison, A.D. Bennett, E. Roche, and A. Rivieccio.

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Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday were Mrs. H. da Cunha, Mr. and Mrs. H. Benedicto, Mrs. D.A. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. C.G. Asher, Mr. and Mrs. M Cowley, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. R. Pa Laperal, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Lee, Messrs. F.C. Rodriguez, H.H. Dupre, A. Reitan, E.F. Sims, M.D. Johnson, J.F. Lefebvre, J. Suraua, R. Pedersen, E.J. Ezra, J. Chand, S.G. Welles, F.C. Flores and L. Keller.

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Among those who left by Air France for Indo-China yesterday were Messrs. Carlos Ouang, J. Lefebvre, A.L. Burridge, A.R.D. Castro and the Rev. Fr. A.S. Lopez.

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Arrivals from Canton yesterday by the ss. Wusueh included Mr. Charles William Martin, Mr. Alfred Charles H. Johnson, Miss Eileen Mary Reid, Miss Phyllis Irene Finch, Miss Henrif Wilson, Mr. George Pecruche, Commander M. Echinar, Miss Virren H. Stone, Mrs. Vera C. Durham, Mr. Donald F. Scott, Captain Willard L. Bolton, Mrs. Bernadine C. Bolton, Mr. Freder Schulthies, Mr. Glen Daniel Graber, Mr. Morries R. Dowd, Rev. Thorvald Gogstad, Mrs. Mary Gogstad, Mr. Ercumend Tutaragasi, Mr. Joao Rodrisgues Simoes Affra, Mr. Daan de Roo Van Aldarwerelt, Mrs. Marga de Roo Van Aldarwerelt, Mr. Francis Splingared.

Farewell Party For Mrs. Brown

Mrs. Jack McIntyre Brown, wife of the Colony's Chief Preventive Officer, will leave for Australia about the end of the month. She will be accompanied by her son, Edward Malcolm.

Friends of the family gathered at an informal cocktail party last night to bid farewell to Mrs. Brown. The party was also held to celebrate the 20th birthday anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Brown's younger daughter, Cris.

Mrs. Brown has been in the Colony for more than 30 years. She was at onetime an active member of the Victoria Recreation Club, the Craigengower Cricket Club, and the Kowloon Football Club.

Mr. and Mrs Brown plan to settle down permanently in North Sydney or in New Zealand, Mr. Brown will go on leave prior to retirement at the end of the year.

Their daughter, Cris, who is engaged to Mr. S. B. Locke of the Revenue Department, will also leave at the end of the year for a holiday in Australia and in Scotland. Her marriage will probably take place in Australia.

HKDF RECRUITS

Attested recruits in the Hong Kong Defence Force totalled 456 yesterday, the "Sunday Herald" learned officially.

The number includes Regiment, 224; Air Force, 40; Home Guard, 42; Essential Services, 84; Commandant's Staff, 4; Naval Force, 56.

A further 45 are expected to be attested this week.

Although applicants for service in the Women's Services have been sent for medical examination, none has been attested yet.

An average of 10 recruits pass out daily from their preliminary courses.

The Naval Force started specialised training last Tuesday in HMS Tamar.

TEACHERS SUMMER SCHOOL

The Teachers Summer School organised for the third year by the Reverend Fr. M. J. Monahan, SJ, will be officially opened tomorrow at 11 am. by Mr. T. R. Rowell, Director of Education.

The School is at the Regional Seminary, Aberdeen. Lectures on various subjects are to be given during the day, and film programmes at night.

DEATH

TODD—On July 16, 1949 at 6 a.m., peacefully at the Queen Mary Hospital, Mrs. Margaret Strathie Todd, beloved mother of Dr. Lois Todd, David Todd and Jonathan Todd. Aged 80. Funeral Service will be held on Monday, July 18 at 3 p.m. at the Christian Cemetery, Pokfulum Road, Hongkong.

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Ship's Officer Given Details Of Kwai Wah Piracy

The audacious piracy of the Chinese river steamer Kwai Wah on Wednesday night as she was on route from Canton to Hong Kong was described by Chief Officer Fan Mui who brought the vessel here yesterday.

The master, Mr. Ho Ping-cheung, together with Mr. Leung King-chor, purser, and 10 passengers, are still held as hostages by the Pearl River Delta pirates.

The Kwai Wah cleared Cantop at 9.27 p.m. for the Colony with about 100 passengers and was under steam for nearly 90 minutes when six armed pirates, travelling among the passengers, approached the bridge from the bow and took control of the wheel house.

The master, chief officer, pilots and quartermasters were held at bay at pistol point, while the pirates ordered them to divert the course of the vessel to Tai Shan. Six others kept the other personnel and passengers under vigilance at pistol point too.

The Kwai Wah reached Tai Shan at 11.05 p.m. where about 70 pirates boarded the vessel.

It was evidently a pre-arranged hold-up.

Cargo Unloaded

The cargo, including oils, medicines, tea and vegetables, was discharged into numerous small craft in which the pirates had been waiting.

The unloading went on for two hours.

Before leaving the Kwai Wah the pirates ordered the chief officer to ground the vessel. They took the master, purser and several passengers.

The Kwai Wah had to wait for high water for two and a half hours before she could leave.

Among the passengers who were taken away by the pirate was an officer of the Canton Special Branch, who successfully escaped from the pirates by jumping into the water and swimming away.

The compradore of the Kwai Wah disguised himself as a stoker, and also escaped being seized.

Europeans Aboard

The vernacular "Sing Tao Evening Post" reported last night that among the first class passengers, there were two Europeans but they were not taken by the pirates.

The "Evening Post" further reported that the vessel's engineer, compradore two pilots and six navigators were detained by the Canton authorities for questioning. However, before the vessel left Canton early yesterday morning, the compradore and the engineer were released by the authorities.

Despite the fact that the mv. Kwai Wah was robbed by the pirates, the owners of the vessel indicated that they will continue to send their vessel to Canton.

The mv. Kwai Wah is due to leave the Colony for the Kwangtung capital at 5 p.m. this afternoon.

Junk Sinks Near Tai Long Kok

Heavy swells swamped the 90-ton motor junk Sheung Hi on Friday afternoon near Tai Long Kok, South East of Lantau Island, and the vessel sank with all the cargo aboard within 10 minutes.

Both cargo and craft are considered a total loss.

The 17 personnel, however, were picked up by a passing craft.

The Sheung Hi was en route from the Colony to Macao when she encountered heavy swells near Tai Long Kok on the main sea lane between Hong Kong and the Portuguese Colony.

A sudden heavy swell caught the crew unaware and swamped the junk, which sank stern first.

Cargo Lost

All the cargo, including 400 tons of rock salt, 325 piculs of beans and 30 drums of vegetable oils, was lost.

The personnel donned life jackets and were picked up by a passing junk and other small craft which came to the rescue.

The scene of the incident, it is understood, was about 300 yards from shore.

The Sheung Hi left Hong Kong at 1.10 p.m. on Friday. She sank at 3.30 p.m.

The crew were taken to Cheung Chau Island that day and arrived here yesterday by a Yaumati Ferry Launch from that island resort.

Medals For Fire Brigade

Colonial Fire Brigade Long Service Medals will be presented to a number of members of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade tomorrow by the Governor.

Two will be posthumous awards to be presented to the widows of the firemen.

Commendations will also be presented to officers and men who played outstanding parts in fighting the disastrous West Point Wing On Godown fire in September last.

Colonial Fire Brigade Long Service Medals will be awarded to Ip Yee, widow of the late Fireman Choi Kam; Tsang Tai, widow of the late Fireman Lau Cheung; Deputy Chief Officer, Charles William Brand; Station Officers: Charles William Browne, Yeung Ping-kwai, Sham Pak-ying; Sub Officers: Heyward Chan, Chan Wei-son; Section Leaders: Wu Foon, Chau Cham-so; Leading Firemen: Lam Kwan, Cheung Wah, Lun Yun, Lo San, Tsui Hoi (retired); Firemen: Cho Hing, Sun Sze, Wu Kau, Chung Kwan, Chau Sang, Ip Fat, Kwong Tsung, Fan Lam.

Commendations will be presented to Acting Divisional Officer, C. W. Browne, Fireman Fung King-tak, Station Officers, Yeung Ping-kwai, Chak Shing-tsik, Sub-Officers, Lui Shu-mn, Chu Shiu-hang, Chan Wei-son, and Seaman, Li Fai.

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IMPORTED GOLD WITHOUT PERMIT

A fine of $700 was imposed on So Ting-leung, aged 41, charged with importing gold without a permit, by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

It was stated by prosecution that defendant was arrested on the motor junk Lung On from Macao on Thursday when gold ornaments weighing 5.69 taels were found in the vessel's engine room. Defendant admitted the gold was his.

The gold, which consisted of 18 rings, two bars, two bracelets, two ornaments with chains, two earrings and a chain, were ordered to be returned to So.

TALBOT HOUSE CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (Toc H), 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.45 p.m. today.

The programme will include Overture: "The Marriage of Figaro" — Mozart; Symphonie Espagnole for violin and orchestra—Lalo. "Peer Gynt" Suite—Grieg, "La Campanella" (for piano) Paganini — Listz, Symphony in E flat major, No. 39—Mozart.

WARNING TO NAVIGATORS

Masters of vessels proceeding to and from Macao are warned that a submerged obstruction exists in an approximate position in Latitude 22 degrees, 12 minutes, 48 seconds, North, and Longitude 114 degrees, East.

Eleven applications for licences to grow ung choi on Crown Land will be considered by the Urban Council at its fortnightly meeting on Tuesday.

Two applications for food shop licences will also be discussed by the Council.

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Army To The Rescue

Sergeant Arthur Curwood (left) and Sergeant Haley, whose timely response to cries for assistance resulted in the rescue of a Chinese woman and her child from drowning in the New Territories on Thursday.

Fund To Aid Flood Victims In Kwangtung

A intensive drive for funds to aid flood sufferers in Kwangtung Province, and immediate despatch of relief supplies to affected areas, were among resolutions passed at a mass meeting of Chinese organisations held at the Tung Wah Hospital yesterday.

The meeting was called under the auspices of the Tung Wah Hospital, whose emergency relief committee toured the flooded areas in a plane on Monday last to get a first hand idea of the extent of the flood havoc.

It was revealed at the meeting that the Hospital had already allocated a sum of HK$80,000 out of its Relief Fund for immediate relief and that an office had been set up in Canton, in charge of Mr. Chow Chan-kwong, to secure closer liaison with the Canton authorities in the Hospital's relief work.

The drive for funds was initiated by the Directors of the Hospital who among themselves contributed HK$30,000, followed by the well-known philanthropist, Mr. Aw Boon-haw, with a further HK$10,000.

To Pool Resources

The various district and commercial organisations undertook to collect subscriptions from their members, and to pool their resources with those of the Hospital, which would act as the central organisation.

It was revealed at the meeting that some district organisations had already, on their own initiative, raised funds which they had remitted to their native districts where relief in the form of congee, etc, was already being provided.

Officials of the Hospital organising the fund raising campaign told the meeting that all collections would be audited and announced in both the Chinese and English Press, and distribution of relief supplies would be under the direct supervision of the Hospital.

Difficulties of transportation, especially in districts infested by Communist guerillas, were discussed. It was decided that each case should be treated on its own merits, and relief should only be sent where it was reasonably sure that supplies would get through to those for whom they were intended.

Wedding At Rosary Church

Mercedes Mendes Ribeiro was married to Reginald C. Baptista at the Rosary Church yesterday.

The Rector of the Parish, the Reverend Fr. H.A. de Angelis, officiated at the ceremony and a the nuptial Mass.

With Mrs. Frieda Noronha at the organ and their colleagues in the Choir, appropriate music was rendered.

The bride the widow of the late E.A.V. Ribeiro and the groom is the eldest son of Mr. Duarte Cezario Baptista and the late Evelina Maria da Rocha Baptista.

A small reception was held at the groom's residence at 45, Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong which was attended by their closest relatives and friends.

Messrs. J. G. d'Almeida and A.G. Xavier assumed the duties of best man and groomsman, respectively.

The newly-wed will have their honeymoon in Manila and Japan.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The wedding of Miss Elfrida Garcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Garcia, and Mr. Joe Antonio, eldest son of Mrs. Sarah R. Antonio and the late Mr. Ernesto Antonio, will take place on July 31 at St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, at 5 p.m.

A reception will be held following the ceremony at Club Lusitano.

Reminders

Today

Classical Concert, Toc H, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.45 p.m.

HK Art Club, sketching class, members to assemble at the old Shaukiwan Police Station, 2.30 p.m. (for further details contact Mr. Nobbins, Tel: 30709).

European YMCA Swimming Picnic at Silverstrand beach, 2.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Crown Land Auction, PWD office, 3 p.m.

Presentation and Inspection, Central Fire Brigade, 9.30 a.m.

Whist Drive for Civilians and Servicemen, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Bridge Drive for Civilians and Servicemen, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m

Urban Council Meeting, GPO Building, 4.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Mahjong Lessons (Servicemen admission free), European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Toc H Club meeting, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "The Cause, Treatment, and Prevention of Cancer" by Dr. Woo Kai-fan Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

The Barnstormers, variety entertainment, for Troops, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Soldiers Save Woman And Child From Drowning

Details of the thrilling rescue of a drowning Chinese woman and her child on Thursday in a rain-swollen river in the New Territories by two sergeants of the 1st Bn. the Royal Leicestershire Regiment were released by the Army Public Relations Officer last evening.

Both soldiers have been commended by their Brigade Commander and the commendation will be published in the local Command Orders.

During the previous night heavy rainfall had swollen the flow of the river through the valley in which the Leicesters' Camp is situated, the Army PRO related.

By noon on Thursday, the floor of the valley was flooded by swift-flowing water, which covered the roadway across the paddy fields.

The water rose gradually and the edges were near the soldiers' tents.

While the inmates waited for the rain to stop, cries of "Save Life" came from farmers, who were then busy attempting to save as much of their harvest as possible from the flood water.

One woman had wandered too far along the flooded roadway and had been carried away by the strong current.

Her eight-year-old son, who was with her, was also swept into the centre of the river.

Heard Cries

Two sergeants—Arthur Curwood, of 31 Findern Green, Cardale Estate, Nottingham, and Herbert Haley, of 135 Portland Street, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire—resting in their tents during the luncheon break, heard the cries and shouts for help and dashed out.

Without ado, both soldiers stripped off their boots and jumped into the river.

Sergeant Curwood was in the lead.

The woman was then struggling desperately in mid-stream.

Both soldiers were unaware of the child, until Sergeant Haley happened to notice the child floating about 20 yards away from the mother.

Sergeant Haley rescued the child, whose weight bore him down occasionally making him swallow mouthfuls of muddy river water.

Both, however, reached the shore safely.

Saves Woman

Meanwhile, Sergeant Curwood was swimming strongly towards the woman, who had drifted quite a way downstream and was then in great distress, having gone down several times.

When the soldier reached her she became hysterical, making it extremely difficult for him to catch hold of her.

Both were in deep water as the soldier tried every possible method of rescuing the frantic woman, whose flaying arms and panicky movements thwarted his many attempts.

The woman had a large wide-brimmed hat tied to her body, which further hindered the soldier's efforts.

Eventually, Sergeant Curwood managed to get a firm hold with one arm, and struck out to shore.

The woman was handed over to her watching husband safely, none the worse for the ducking.

RUSSIAN SERVICE

The annual memorial service for the Russian Imperial Family and victims of the Russian Revolution was held at the Orthodox Church yesterday.

500-Pound Bomb Near Taikoo Docks

A relic of the American bombing of Japanese destroyers in Hong Kong harbour in 1945 was unearthed near Taikoo docks, it was officially disclosed yesterday by the Royal Air Force Public Relations and Information Service.

The relic—a 500-pound unexploded bomb—has been disposed of at sea as the detonator could not be removed having been badly knocked about.

The bomb was found by workmen preparing the foundation for the new police Station near Taikoo Docks. It was found buried some 20 feet in soft soil.

In response to a call from the Chief Inspector of the Eastern District Police, the Royal Air Force was called into action.

Flight Lieutenant Rivers of RAF Station, Kai Tak, and Flight Lieutenant Vaughan of Air Headquarters who is a qualified bomb disposal expert, and a small party of Royal Air Force armourers drove to the docks.

By means of scaffolding, the bomb was brought to the surface and, after the dirt had been removed, they set about the task of rendering it harmless.

It was found that the fall unit and pistol were missing. The detonator was still intact although badly knocked about and difficult to move.

The bomb was loaded on to an RAF truck and taken to Mackie's Wharf where it was transferred to one of the RAF pinnaces, which carried it out to sea and deposited it in deep water beyond Tsing Island.

Jap War Criminal Taken To Manila

A Japanese war criminal who was convicted by the Allied War Criminal Tribunal in Tokyo to six years' imprisonment with hard labour, left the Colony yesterday morning escorted by two United States soldiers on a Philippine Airlines aircraft for Manila.

Lieutenant General Takaji Wachi who had already served four years in prison was in transit from Tokyo where he left on Friday.

He is wanted in Manila to give evidence against another Japanese war criminal.

During his stay in the Colony he was quartered in a stockade at the Royal Artillery Barracks, Gun Club Hill.

FUNERAL

Mrs. Wong Oi-tong

The funeral of Mrs. Wong Oi-tong, wife of the Pastor of the Rhenish Mission Church, Bonham Road, took place yesterday at the Chinese Christian Cemetery, Pokfulam.

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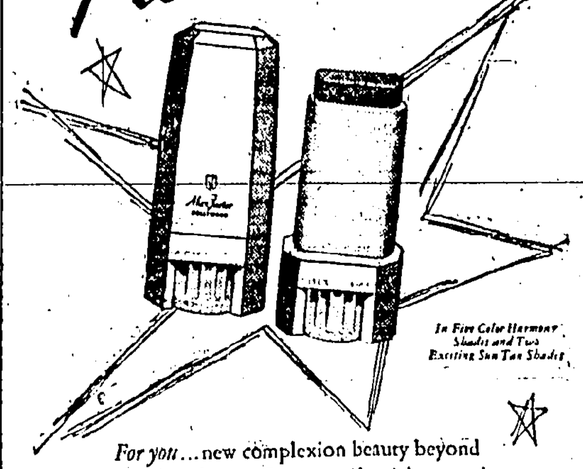

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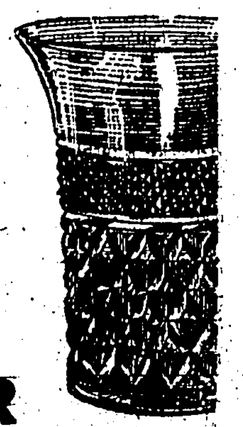

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Appeal Allowed In Tenancy Case

An appeal by the landlords of No. 51 Kimberley Road against the decision of a Tenancy Tribunal which declined to evict one of two tenants from the premises, was allowed by Mr. Justice Scholes in the Supreme Court yesterday.

The appellant, who was the applicant landlord at the tenancy proceedings, was Sou Kon-chi, and the respondent, the second opponent, was L. C. Diespecker, who occupied the second floor of the premises.

The applicant sought an order before the Tribunal for the eviction of the first and second opponents for a breach of section 18 (d) and/or section 20 of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance 1947.

The Tribunal granted the application in respect of the first opponent under section 18 (d) but declined to do so against second opponent under either section 18(d) or section 20.

The appeal was on the grounds that the decision of the Tribunal as regards the second opponent was wrong in law and against the weight of evidence, and also that the magistrate was wrong in law in finding that section 20 had no application to the case.

The Court was asked to decide on the hearing of the appeal, whether or not the tenancy of the first opponent after November 1948 remained a monthly tenant, or whether a new tenancy agreement had been entered into between the first opponent and the landlord whereby a lease for a set term of nine months starting from December 1, 1948, had been granted by the landlord to the first opponent.

It was not denied by either side that if the former was the correct view, section 20 would apply to this case and an eviction order should be made.

Letter To Landlord

The facts of the case were that the first opponent, F. Tichopad, who had occupied the premises for some years, and was therefore a protected tenant, was going away for a few months in November, 1948, and he wrote the following letter to the landlord, Sou Kon-chi; on the eve of his departure:

"I beg to inform you that I intend to leave the Colony and vacate the above premises for nine months starting December 1, 1948, and shall be grateful if you will be good enough to leave the tenancy in my name during the period of my absence. The rent for the period will be payable by me.

"Should I fail to return after nine months from the date of my departure the tenancy shall be considered at an end."

The letter was accompanied by the payment of the full nine months rent for which the landlord issued a receipt.

After Tichopad left, his agent Weisserflug sublet the premises to second opponent, Diespecker, against whom the Tenancy Magistrate refused to issued an eviction order.

The contention of second opponent which was upheld by the Tenancy Tribunal, was that the monthly tenancy had been determined and a new lease for nine months had been created.

The Appeal Judge yesterday ruled against this decision. First opponent said the Judge, wanted to make sure that he would not lose the flat and he made the lump sum payment to ensure that there should be no default. There was no reason why a monthly tenant could not pay a sum in advance to be appropriated to the rent as it fell due. He told the landlord to leave the tenancy in his name, and it could only be construed that he wanted the tenancy to continue. It would only end if he did not return. Therefore no new tenancy had been created.

In allowing the appeal Mr. Justice ordered that the decision of the Tenancy Tribunal declining to give the eviction order applied for under section 20 against second opponent be reversed, and further ordered that the second opponent be ejected from the premises after the expiration of 30 days.

Mr. D. A. L. Wright represented the appellant landlord and Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the second respondent.

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WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

JANUARY
(December 21—January 19)
Try to stage important undertakings for beginning and end of week. Round about Wednesday or Thursday you may strike difficulties with fellow workers or, if an employer, with staff. Momentous week for new link-ups and more than one useful alliance made.

FEBRUARY
(January 20—February 18)
Useful changes could be initiated this week, probably on Saturday. But be careful that in reorganising business or household routine you do not make enemies. Personal life enters a happier phase; good fortune and pleasant re-adjustments made on Saturday.

MARCH
(February 19—March 20).
Be content to take life quietly first half of week and be a little more careful than usual about what you spend. Thursday or Friday will probably bring easier times and some chance of speculative good fortune. A good period in which to settle young people's affairs or plan entertaining.

APRIL
(March 21—April 20)
It looks as though you will be able to put the final touches to a promising deal this week, though travel or changes in routine may be necessary in consequence. If you do not make a journey end of week, then expect unusually heavy correspondence and probably controversy over a new contract.

MAY
(April 21—May 20)
A short holiday likely end of week, or alternatively, much desired improvements in household and family affairs. Financial outlook somewhat unsettled, but you recover lost ground, probably make fresh gains, end of week.

JUNE
(May 21—June 20)
Although you may still be in a pugnacious mood during next few days, many of your outstanding problems will have cleared up by the end of week. Financial windfalls should help matters about Wednesday. Clashes likely with older people or employer on Thursday.

JULY
(June 21—July 20)
Events this week will be prelude to more exciting and important times later. Be content to get your plans in order and see that you have sufficient money in hand for new schemes launched about the 25th. Wednesday probably the most generally fortunate day this week.

AUGUST
(July 21—August 21)
The chances are you will be content to let things slide a little in next few days. Better be careful, though, that someone does not get the better of you on Wednesday. Also, schemes brewing now should reach maturity early next week.

SEPTEMBER
(August 22—September 22)
Friends and their affairs take up more time than you feel inclined to give this week, but your self-sacrifice will be appreciated later. Meanwhile, try to keep clear of long drawn out feuds, and take care to keep fit mid-week. Interesting developments, likely in a controversial and long drawn out scheme.

OCTOBER
(September 23—October 23)
Don't waste time this week, go ahead as quickly as you can with new and worth-while schemes. If you have your plans in order and details completed, you should be able to "cash in" before the end of the month. Help or good news from woman friend mid-week.

NOVEMBER
(October 24—November 22)
Likely to be a week of new business, probably connected with overseas. Heavy correspondence also probable though little financial result is likely for a week or two. Aim at building up goodwill, making useful social connections end of week.

DECEMBER
(November 23—December 20)
Much time spent this week on marriage partner's affairs, if married, or on family affairs, if single. There is a good deal of controversy likely and possibly extra expenses. Happiness and good fortune connected with a woman, however, end of week.

SUNDAY JULY 17
FOR MOST OF US: Unsuitable for travel or detailed work, but propitious for social life, tete-a-tetes. Make an effort to heal old quarrels this evening. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Sky blue, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
From a business point of view this is likely to be a confused period in your life. However carefully you may plan, it will be very difficult to see where you are going this year, to forecast changes in environment and circumstances. Yet, in spite of difficulties, this should be a happier year than you have had for a long time.

Be careful about money, income is not likely to diminish, but you may get the wrong advice about investment. Also, you are in considerable danger of loss through theft or dishonest employees.

Yet, you will probably end the year with something in hand. Round about August of this year and April of 1950 there is the likelihood of windfalls or of substantial help from someone of personality and influence. Probably the most difficult months financially will be October and March.

Travel would not be advisable though you may be tempted to make a journey over water towards Christmas. Both your health and your circumstances will be better this year if you stay where you are, at any rate until after Easter next.

At times you will feel disillusioned about your associates and discover that at least one trusted person has let you down. Also, relatives will be inclined to intrigue against you give them the opportunity. On the other hand, you are likely to achieve great social success this year and, if thinking of marriage or of a love affair, find all you could wish for between now and Christmas.

MONDAY JULY 18:
FOR MOST OF US: Though to may not be easy to shelve financial problems, don't make any rash commitments today. As far as possible concentrate on new schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Leaf green, 4, Emerald.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
Provided you avoid important changes and take pains to keep fit, this should be a fortunate and progressive year. The financial outlook will probably be unsettled and cause you considerable anxiety from time to time, but towards your next birthday you discover that you are in a more secure position than formerly and that the future is more settled.

So, remember that a little economy will be worthwhile until about Christmas time. After that you will probably make some arrangement that is likely to benefit you over a period of four to eight years. If you have any expectations of a legacy, it should materialise early in 1950.

It is a good year for developing property and indeed for almost any outdoor activity. If you are sports minded, you may secure some trophy this year or see your particular interest become more popular.

Take pains to keep well particularly during August and about December. Also, resist any temptation to travel or move house this year if you value your physical well-being. Changes of this kind would be deterimental both to health and your peace of mind.

Family relationships should bring a good deal of happiness throughout 1949-50. Older relatives give you what backing you need in business and should be helpful in other ways. But if married, beware extravagence within the household and possible interference from in-laws. If unmarried, it would be wise to postpone thoughts of matrimony until after your next birthday.

TUESDAY JULY 19:
FOR MOST OF US: A good day for routine work and also for social contracts. Not suitable for any ambitious project or for new jobs. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Rose pink, 6, Lapis-Lazuli.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
Although the coming year will probably be free from any financial good or ill "luck" it should bring a fair share of good fortune and prosperity. You do better than you expect over new schemes, find at the same time that long established associations begin to pay well.

But be careful you do not clash with employer or civic authorities. Round about August and again towards Easter 1950 you are in some danger of serious dispute with those in authority. In any such altercation, it would be wise to compromise, the chances of success in a fight to the finish are small.

There seems little need to worry about income; you should keep up a good standard of comfort and at the same time you should benefit through windfalls and through the generosity of friends. Socially, too, it should be a pleasant year particularly during April and May 1950.

Far reaching changes would not be advisable this year. However badly you may fall out with your immediate seniors, be content with your present job or business for the time being. Little good, too, would come of a house move or of travel this year.

From a personal angle, it should be a most pleasant period in your life. Between now and your next birthday you will make many friends, probably take a leading part in social affairs locally. May 1950 promises to be not only a happy but a potentially important month in your life.

WEDNESDAY JULY 20:
FOR MOST OF US: It may be necessary to spend in order to make money this morning, but be very careful about complicated financial deals. Evening hours propitious for interviews and entertainment. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
You will need a good deal of courage and acumen if you are to cope successfully with the problems of 1949-50. Yet, if you can summon up enough sagacity and enterprise to deal with them you may find that this has been one of the most successful years of your life. Opportunities will be plentiful, but there will also be many pitfalls in your path.

Changes may be necessary within the next few months and will probably work out more expensively than anticipated. Yet, if you can find the necessary cash to make reshuffles, you should see very good results before the end of the year.

Ordinary business risks would be worth taking throughout 1949-50. Indeed, you will have many regrets if you do not take a few chances between now and Christmas. But speculation in the strict sense of the word would be best avoided throughout the year. Particularly so during October of 1949 and May 1950.

On the whole it is a better year for selling than for buying, but if you have a chance of taking a new house, don't hesitate to purchase it this year. A change of environment particularly if undertaken early in 1950 will be beneficial both for you and your family.

It is a moderately good year for marriage, although the actual ceremony may be held up for a month or two, and some difficulty arise through women relatives. If already married, you can look forward to a prosperous period and a brighter atmosphere in the household. But beware women relatives and friends throughout the year, they will make trouble for you if they can.

THURSDAY JULY 21:
FOR MOST OF US: Banish worry and despondency and set out on something new this morning. Useless worrying about half completed jobs or last week's blunders. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Right blue, 4, Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
If you are brave enough to cut your losses, break with the past this year, you can look forward to a successful and interesting period. If, however, you try to salvage a scheme that has few prospects or to keep up an association that has lost its value, you will have a disappointing time.

Whether you like it or not 1949-50 will probably mark the end of one phase of existence and the beginning of another. A long standing association is drawing to an end and it would be hopeless to try to continue it on the old terms. So forget about the past and keep your mind on the future this year.

New schemes should do well and bring in good returns within a few months. But old debts and long-standing commitments will probably keep you a little short of cash, at any rate until about Christmas time. After that, conditions should be easier and cash more plentiful.

There is some chance of a bereavement in your circle of friends and relatives—probably a much older person is concerned. Alternatively, you lose money over a property matter or have to sell out property holdings at a disadvantage.

Family relationships may be strained throughout the year and you are sure to have a good deal of worry connected with an older woman in your family. But new friendships bring compensation and coincide with the taking up of an engrossing new interest. If single, marriage plans would be best left until after your next birthday.

FRIDAY, JULY 22:
FOR MOST OF US: A good day for any out of the way scheme or for anything that concerns art or music. In business, aim high and don't fuss over details. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
This is likely to be an outstanding year in your intellectual and spiritual life, and at the same time to coincide with important material changes. So better get your ideas in order early in the year and be quite sure what are your special ambitions and what you hope to attain before your next birthday.

Don't be afraid to "think big" during 1949-50. The more ambitious your schemes, the better chances of being carried through. Note, too, that idealistic or philanthropic ventures have a better chance than purely business projects.

It will be a splendid year for the creative worker and particularly for anyone with an interest in art or music. For the ordinary businessman or woman it will be worthwhile trying out new ideas or considering partnership with someone of an idealistic or imaginative type.

Travel probable and would certainly take you across the sea. Alternatively you move nearer the sea coast or river, or have much to do with people from overseas. Remember to keep yourself open to new ideas throughout 1949-50, and to make the most of contacts with strangers and unusual people.

In your personal life it will be an important period in that an association is formed with someone of a more advanced or stronger personality than most of your friends possess. The effects of such a link-up will be apparent not in the immediate future but over a period of four to seven years. In some way it will entail changes in your own ideas and the taking up of some new activity.

SATURDAY, JULY 23:
FOR MOST OF US: Likely to be a hectic and potentially important day for most people. Controversies, changes, new schemes take the stage. Stirring news probable of world events. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Midnight blue, 2, Sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST:
Now begins one of the most interesting and possibly one of the most important years you have had for a long time. Between now and your next birthday you will probably have been forced into far reaching changes, and experienced danger and upheavals, possibly have achieved some outstanding success.

The early months of 1950 are likely to be the most important and the most eventful. Better be content to mark time until the New Year. After that the pace of existence will speed up whether you like it or not.

Remember that it will be worthwhile taking chances over new schemes and trying out new ideas you may have. But whatever the upheavals of the early days of 1950, you will probably be glad to return to your present environment late in the year. The period of emergencies and exciting developments is likely to come to an end in Mid-June.

Financially it should be a fairly good year although you will not feel at ease about the future until just before your next birthday, then something happens to ease your difficulties or you get just the right backing in business.

Your personal relationships will be at sixes and sevens throughout the year. The renewal of an old friendship will bring happiness and, at the same time, some very useful material help. Your life will be enriched by the friendship of someone of daring and unusual personality, but such an association will probably bring as much anxiety as pleasure.

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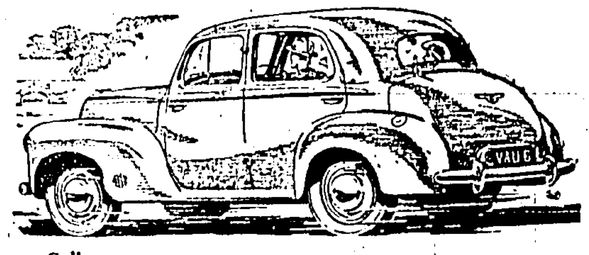

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RANGOON DETERMINED TO CONTINUE FIGHT

London, July 15.

General Ne Win, the Burmese Supreme Commander, said today that the fighting in Burma will go on until all the Communists and Karen rebels give up their arms.

He added, however, that the Burma Government will treat the insurgents as friends if they surrender.

The Burmese Supreme Commander, who is in London as a guest of the British Government, told Reuter: "The constitutional situation must be maintained." He estimated that the Burmese Government's enemies number approximately 10,000, but added that they are not all armed.

"The Communists are the real trouble, not the Karens, who form only a quarter of the rebel forces."

General Ne Win, who opposed Britain during the war when he served as General Aung San's Chief of Staff in the Burmese National Army, heads at the age of 38 all his country's armed forces and is Deputy Premier and Defence Minister.

His fortnight's mission to Britain coincides with top-level Commonwealth talks on aid to Burma.

General Ne Win is accompanied by Hla Maung, Burmese Ambassador to Thailand, and Wing Commander Khin, of the Burmese Air Force.

The General has met the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Defence Minister, Mr. A.V. Alexander, the War Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, the Air Minister, Mr. Arthur Henderson, and the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Sir William Slim, during his stay.

Defence Pact Story Denied

He has also met Mr. Reginald Bowker, British Ambassador, in Rangoon, now here on leave, who is one of the Commonwealth Committee instructed to work on details of financial and military aid to Burma.

General Ne Win denied that he had come to Britain to sign a defence agreement or that he is taking part in the talks on Commonwealth aid to Burma.

He said that the talks are continuing and denied a report from India that they have been shelved.

Denying that he is here to acquire arms and military equipment, he said that he has come to see naval, military and army installations and Burmese cadets in training.

Having seen most of what he wanted to see, he is flying home on Tuesday, by way of New York, where he will stay four or five days, very satisfied with his fortnight's visit.

Asked about the military equipment that he saw, General Ne Win said: "We do not want highly mechanised equipment. We cannot afford it, and much of it would not be very useful to us.

"In a country which is two-thirds jungle, we have to reorientate our army on the lines of guerilla warfare."

General Ne Win would not indicate the extent of the Burmese Government's forces. Hla Maung said that they have enough arms, but an army always requires reserves.

The Burmese Ambassador, U Ohn, said that the Burmese Government has turned the corner in its struggle with the Karens and the Communists.

Summing up the actual military situation, the Burmese Supreme Commander said that resistance remains only in four out of 32 districts in Burma. He admitted that to restore peace will take a little time.

One of his colleagues recalled how a single Burmese against the British, had eluded capture for 25 years.

The real situation in Burma, said General Ne Win, is much misunderstood abroad, especially in Britain. It is a complete mistake to imagine that all the Karens have taken up arms against the Burmese Government. Only about five per cent of the Karens are, in fact, siding with the rebels.

The rebels have now spent most of their forces, who are scattered in little groups.

When the rebels are encountered face to face, they invariably retreat into the jungles or the hills.

Outside Help?

Hla Maung observed that they must be getting very short of arms, unless they are getting outside help. He and General Ne Win maintained that the last "peace" agreement signed by insurgent leaders had come to nothing because the latter were unable to control their young men, who wanted to fight to the end.

U Ohn said that the struggle in Burma is between people who believe in gun politics and those who believe in the Parliamentary system.

"The Government's desire to give the Karens an autonomous State is still a part of the Burmese Constitution, which treats them most generously."

Hla Maung said that this year's good rice crop has falsified foreign predictions of a breakdown of rice exports and a great crisis in which the Burmese Government would be unable to pay for its requirements at home and abroad.

The rice crop is now moving quickly into Rangoon in spite of internal troubles.

General Ne Win said that a British military mission in Burma is serving in an advisory capacity.

There are 200,000 Burma-born Gurkhas—including wives and children—in Burma. They came years ago, he said, with the British Army, had inter-married and are now asking to be treated as Burmese citizens. Many of them are farmers. Serving with the Burmese Army is a battalion of Burma-born Gurkhas. They have Burmese citizenships—Reuter.

GERMANS NEAR TO MUTINY

Berlin, July 15.

German Communist troops in Greece are on the verge of mutiny, according to the British-licensed newspaper "Sozial Demokrat."

The newspaper said today that this information was received by the Politburo of the Socialist Unity Party, from a special envoy sent to Greece to investigate conditions in the "International Brigade". The emissary was identified as Walter Ulbricht, deputy chairman of the Party and one of the senior Communist policy-makers in Eastern Germany.

The "Sozial Demokrat" said he has asked the Politburo to forward his report to Moscow.

The French-licensed newspaper "Der Kurier," also quoting Communist sources, carried the contradictory report that Ulbricht has fallen into disgrace with the Politburo and Moscow and at present is on holiday somewhere in the Soviet Union.—United Press.

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11.50 a.m.—London Studio Melodies. A Programme of Continuous Music by Montevani and His Orchestra. (BBCTS).
12.00 p.m.—Ivor Novello and His Music. With Britta Cecil, Olive Gilbert, Trefer Jones, John Stevens, Maidie Andrews, BBC Revue Chorus and Orch. under Frank Cantell. (BBCTS).
12.30 p.m.—Sports Results.
12.40 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling."
12.42 p.m.—Skitch Henderson and His Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Melodies of Irving Berlin.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—A Popular Concert.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling."
6.02 p.m.—"Forces Hour."
7.00 p.m.—Weekly News Letter. (London Relay).
7.15 p.m.—"Looking Ahead" A review of thre week's Programme. (Studio).
7.30 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Albert Sandler and the Palm Court Orchestra with Peter Dawson. (BBCTS).
8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—A short recital by Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra.
8.30 p.m.—"Great Expectations" by Charles Dickens. Episode 11 "The fearful man". (BBCTS).
9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay).
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.11 p.m.—An Appeal for the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children. (Studio).
9.15 p.m.—Symphony Concert. Schubert: Symphony No. 6 in Major... London Philharmonic Orchestra. Mendelssohn: Concerto in E Minor for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 64 Joseph Szigeti (Violin) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Benjamin Britten: Young People's Guide to the Orchestra... Liverpool Philharm: Orchestra.
9.50 p.m.—London Studio Melodies. A Programme of Continuous Music by the Melachrino Strings with Frederick Phillips, (Guitar). (BBCTS).
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News.
11.20 p.m.—Epilogue. (BBCTS).
11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Rediffusion

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7.00 a.m.—Morning Music.
8.00 a.m.—News And Weather Report.
8.15 a.m.—Lazy Day.
9.00 a.m.—Harmony Hall.
9.15 a.m.—Sunday Variety.
10.00 a.m.—Keyboard Concert.
10.30 a.m.—Interval Signal.
10.32 a.m.—Church Service Light Music Organ Melodies.
12.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
12.30 p.m.—Sports Results.
12.40 p.m.—Interval Signal.
12.42 p.m.—Lunch Time Music.
1.15 p.m.—News And Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Popular Concert.
2.00 p.m.—Afternoon Musicale.
4.00 p.m.—Curtain Call.
4.30 p.m.—Tea Time Tunes.
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5.30 p.m.—Memories Of Yesterday.
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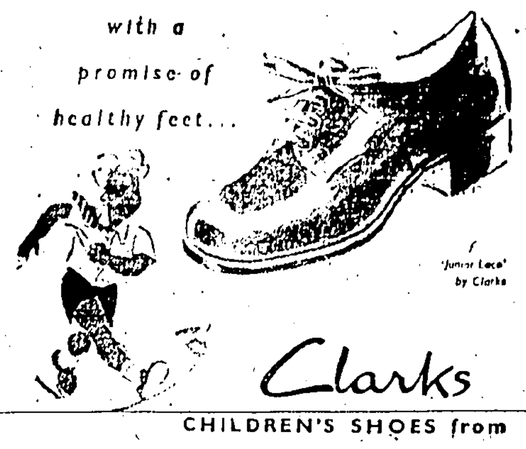

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Patrick Campbell's Piece

A small Spanish Fiesta, with an entirely Spanish Concert Party, will take place in the Spanish Garden on Sunday, July 10, between the hours of 3.30 and 4.30 p.m. should the weather be favourable.

The artists are all giving their sevices for the sheer joy of communicating to the residents the Spanish atmosphere which they so love.

We often get notices in our block of flats, "Dog-owners, in the interest of hygiene, are requested to discontinue the practice of permitting their pets to sleep in vacant perambulators." That sort of thing. But never before news of a Spanish Fiesta, with artists made keen to communicate to us free of charge the atmosphere of passionate, steaming Madrid!

We were at our window, overlooking the Spanish Garden, just after three o'clock. Didn't want to miss a single thing. At first I'd thought of hanging out a shawl, the way they do at bullfigh's, but all we could find was an irrelevant tartan rug. That, or a tablecloth with decorative Indian curly marks. In the end we tied a bow in one of our daughter's three hairs. "It's fiesta," I explained. "We've got to give it everything."

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At 3.30 those residents whose windows faced the wrong way began to file into the Spanish Garden. Up till now, as a matter of fact, I'd always thought it was the Persian Garden. Mosaic and concrete pots. But I suppose it's almost impossible in these times to get hold of Persian concert parties. And Spaniards, of course, have mosaic too.

By 3.45 the Spanish Garden was nearly full. Up to a hundred juveniles with their mothers and nurses. The juveniles climbed in and out of the concrete pots, and then one of them was splendidly sick. Probably excitement, although I don't imagine that the child could have had much idea of what it was all about.

"There's going to be a fiesta in the garden."

"What's a fiesta?"

"It's a sort of party—they have it in Spain."

"What's Spain?"

"It's foreign country."

"Why are they going to have their fiddosta in our garden, then?"

"Millicent, be good enough to hold that child face downwards in the bath."

At four o'clock the head porter appeared, carrying a number of the best chairs out of the restaurant. He arranged them in a semi-circle, facing outwards.

"That's how they do it at fiestas," I explained, "it's traditional."

The chairs were followed by three elderly ladies, two in sober black and the third a striking figure in blue silk, flowered shawl, and a mantilla. "If they do something particularly good," I said, "we have to shout—Ole! That's Spanish for hurrah."

At this point our daughter screamed, "Blah blah da da!" Nearly everyone in the garden looked up. "If she can't say Ole!" I said, "she'll have to go into the other room."

There was a longish pause, and then three Spaniards appeared with a mandolin, a violin and a piano accordion. I was surprised to see no guitar. "But they probably only have guitars at the full-dress fiestas," I said. "The mandolin is correct for the more bijou kind."

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The musicians were followed by three young ladies, very Spanish looking, and an unbelievably handsome youth in a black suit, white shirt, and black-and-white shoes.

The concert party rearranged the chairs and sat down. One of the men produced a bottle of sherry and a glass from under his coat.

Everyone had a sip. The youth in the black-and-white shoes examined the label on the bottle. Perhaps he thought it was South African.

Nothing happened. The residents were tense, waiting for the Spanish atmosphere to come across, but the Spaniards just sat, sipping sherry, and talking in low voices among themselves. "Possibly," I said, 'this is all they do. Just sit in chairs, drinking sherry, and it's a fiesta."

Another Spaniard, in a brown suit and a not very Spanish navy-blue pullover, appeared. He performed a pirouette in the middle of the concrete pots and then joined his friends. The residents who'd begun to applaud this demonstration folded their hands again and tried to look as if nothing had happened.

Another surprisingly long interval went by. A bear Spaniard in glasses seemed to be trying to organise something. In the end he gave it up, and became involved in a long conversation with one of the elderly ladies in black.

Just as we were beginning to suspect that the fiesta might be drawing to a close the musicians dipped into their cases, produced their instruments, and played. A quick, apparently humourous Spanish song. After one verse they put their instruments away and sat down again.

Once again the man in glasses took over, applying himself particularly to the youth with the end of ten minutes he seemed to gain his objective, for the youth removed his coat. The pirouetting Spaniard revealed his navy-blue pullover. They were joined by two of the girls.

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Suddenly the band struck up. They started to dance! Terrific stuff. Full Latin passion. Head tossing heel kicking. "Gosh," I said, "this is it," and bent down to light my pipe. When I looked up a moment later the dance was over. A brief altercation took place between the man in glasses and the youth with the black-and-white shoes, and then everyone sat down once more. A couple of the men had another glass of sherry. The black-and-white youth had a particularly savage gulp. Something seemed to have annoyed him.

"It'll be all right," I said, "in a moment. Just wait till that heady wine gets working. Even Spaniards can't be expected to cut completely loose in the very middle of the day." It was, in fact, nearly five o'clock.

From five until 5.15 the Spaniards sat in their chairs and looked at the residents, and the residents sat on the concrete edges of the flower-beds, and looked right back at the Spaniards. What conversation there was was of a subdued nature.

"Why don't you," she said to me, "shout Ole?"

"Ole" I replied, "about what?"

Then the Press photographer appeared. This, if I knew anything, meant the end of the fiesta. It was. For 25 minutes the Spaniards obliged with various posts. The photographer wrote down all their names and addresses. Then the residents began to drift away. The concert party followed them. The Spanish Garden was empty. The fiesta had burnt itself out.

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But in point of fact it was only about to begin. At seven o'clock we were sitting down to a simple meal when all at once she said, "What's—that?" I listened. Music. Wild laughter. The stamp of feet. I sprang to the window. The Spanish Garden was empty. But a window was open across the square.

It went on until well after nine o'clock. The Spaniards must have been a little cramped in the sitting-room of their flat, but, boy, you should have heard those castenets!

They knocked off about 9.30. Perhaps one of the residents complained about the noise.

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What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

WAH KIU YAT PO Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's talk with President Quirino of the Philippines was in connection with the setting up of a Pacific Alliance against the spread of Communism.

The plan for establishing such an alliance was initiated as far back as the last visit to Japan by Mr. Chang Chun. However, because of America's misinterpretation of the real character of Chinese Communism at that time, no material progress was made.

Recent developments in China have now made America apprehensive of the real intentions of the Chinese Communists.

A Pacific Alliance would be a comprehensive project, and would encounter difficulties in its realisation. Chiang's visit and talks with the Philippine's President were apparently to lay down a foundation for a joint defence plan including China, the Philippines, Japan and Korea.

It has been reported that General MacArthur's representative was present at the talks. President Syngman Rhee of South Korea sympathises with Chiang. Therefore there should be no question regarding his co-operation and support.

Enlargement of the Kuomintang-Communist issue into an international question obviously will increase the problems of the Chinese Communists. It may even result in a cold war similar to that in Germany.

Chiang's visit to the Philippines, is undoubtedly a turning point in the Far East situation. Developments, however, will depend on the degree of the success of the proposed Pacific Alliance.

Britain's Troubles

TA KUNG PAO:.. Britain's economic troubles are a result of the erroneous political course she has been purpusing since the end of World War II. Britain first treated the United States with confidence and the Soviet Union with suspicion. Later, she depended on America and made an enemy of the Soviet Union.

Financial measures alone cannot solve British economic ills, and assistance from Wall Street will be useless. Britain's difficulties are a result of her dividing Europe. Internally, she has helped to build up an iron curtain in Europe.

There is however still a remedy left. But it will have no effect while Mr. Attlee's cabinet remains unchanged.

Dock Strike

SING TAO JIH PAO: Originally a move to support strikers on two Canadian vessels, the London dock strike has now developed into a political issue. The strikers not only defy official orders but are prepared to ignore the emergency proclamation.

The British Government regards the strike as a Communist plot. No doubt if the strike continues, further emergency measures will be adopted. This may lead to a political upheaval and here is where the seriousness of the crisis lies.

That the Labour Government is unable to control the acts of British labourers seems paradoxical. Contrary to some opinion, the labour trouble cannot be attributed to Communist influences. Among all European countries, organised Communist activities are weakest in Britain.

The Labour Government has lost the support of the workers because it has failed to carry out its policies. The principles of Socialism cannot be put into practice while economic policies are dependent completely on America.

The present strike in Britain reveals the labour class's dissatisfaction with the Labour Government.

Flood Victims

KUNG SHEUNG YAT PO: Emergency relief should be made available immediately for the flood victims in South China. The Relief Society at Canton has allocated only HK$350,000 for relief. In view of the urgent need for relief, this sum is insufficient. Campaigns should be organised to raise more money in China and from Oversea Chinese.

However, in carrying out relief programmes, it is most important that the spending of funds is properly supervised and spent only on the distressed flood victims.

In this present age of scientific development, floods should be a thing of the past. One can only attribute the present disaster in South China to poor administration. This question of floods should be immediately tackled and solved, otherwise there will always be a repetition of such disasters.

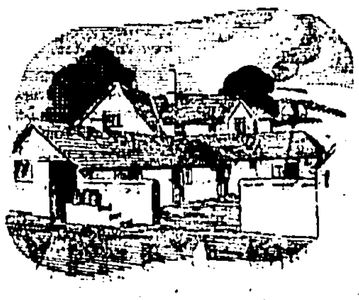
Foreigners In China

HWA SHIANG PAO: As the People's Government in liberated China has not established diplomatic relations with foreign countries including the United States, foreigners employed in diplomatic organisations cannot enjoy diplomatic immunity.

As a result, the American protest to the highest Communist body in China against the arrest of Mr. William Olive, Vice-Consul of the United States at Shanghai, cannot bring any results as such a protest is not in accordance with diplomatic procedure.

American newspapers have distorted the facts of the incident and in some instances have exaggerated the case to arouse the American people against the Chinese Communists.

Mr. Olive has signed an apology expressing his regret. He has also agreed to abide by the laws of Shanghai. Further outbursts will only result in more embarrassment for America.



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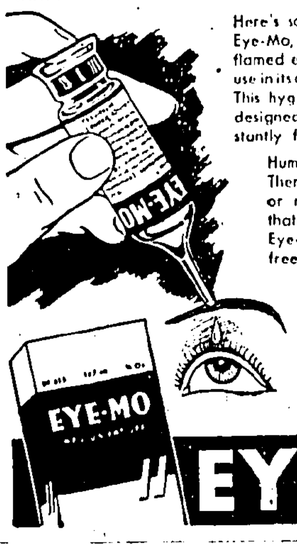

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SNYDER HOLDING TALKS IN ROME

Rome, July 15.

Mr. John W. Snyder, United States Treasury Secretary, started discussion of the inter-relation of the lira, dollar and Pound Sterling with members of the Italian Government here today.

Italian officials told Mr. Snyder that they consider the Pound Sterling is over-valued in relation to the lira.

They said that if the Pound is devalued the lira value should not be reduced proportionately.

The discussions dealt also with the Anglo-Argentine trade treaty, which Italian textile manufacturers fear may affect their important trade with Argentina.

Italian officials, aware of United States objections to the Anglo-Argentine pact, think an aligned Italian-American policy may emerge from the current talks.

Before his departure on Sunday Mr. Snyder is expected to discuss with Mr. James D. Zellerbach, chief of the Marshall Aid Mission in Italy, the possibility of increased United States investment in Italy under European Recovery Programme guarantees.

They are also expected to consider the use of American dollars to finance Italian emigration.

Tomorrow Mr. Snyder is having a private audience with the Pope.

Mr. Snyder, now on a European tour, will not visit Greece as arranged, it was officially announced in Athens tonight.—Reuter.

MALAYAN SPECIAL HONOURED

London, July 15.

A 30-year-old Malay auxiliary policeman has been awarded the Colonial Police Medal for gallantry in beating off an attack by three Chinese bandits.

The policeman is Ali Akop Bin Ahmad of the Federation of Malaya Police Force.

The citation said that Ahmad was attacked on May 10 while he was going to his paddy field at Bukit Kepong, near Johore Bahru. The bandits were armed with two rifles and a shotgun. Ahmad carried a rifle.

The citation read:

"One of the men called upon the policeman to halt and not be afraid. Ahmad threw himself to the ground and immediately fired at the bandits, who returned his fire. All the shots missed.

"The policeman then fired three more shots, which also missed, but caused the bandits to run—the two with the rifles in one direction and the man with the shotgun in another. The guard pursued the single man and shot him dead."

The other two bandits escaped, the citation said.

Ahmad, who is unpaid, enlisted in November, 1948.—Associated Press.

BULLS KILLED AT CEREMONY

Khartoum, July 15.

Bulls were slaughtered in a ceremony at today's opening of a bridge across the Gash River at Kassala, near the Sudan-Eritrea border, by Sir James Robertson, acting Governor of the Sudan.

The 433-foot long bridge, made of reinforced concrete, has a 16-foot carriage-way and will help to increase trade between the Sudan and Eritrea.—Reuter.

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Bastille Day Celebrations Marred

Paris, July 15.

Twelve were killed and 17 injured by bombs thrown by guerillas of the Vietminh (Indo-Chinese autonomy movement) during yesterday's celebrations in Vietnam of Bastille Day, the French news agency, Agence France Presse, reported today.

The agency added that a bomb was thrown at a torch-light procession killing three and injuring 60 soldiers and civilians.—Reuter.

PLAN FOR PURCHASE OF VITAL MATERIALS

Washington, July 15.

A United States official said today that very substantial consideration is being given by the Munitions Board to the purchases of stockpiling material in the Sterling area. A total of $565,000,000 in appropriations and $521,000,000 in contract authority is available for this purpose.

The Munitions Board works under the National Security Council. The purchase of strategic materials is considered a top secret and the figures are consequently not published. However, it is assumed that Malayan and Ceylonese rubber and Malayan tin will be among the commodities purchased in the Sterling area.

The National Security Council, which is the highest policy-making body in the United States in advising the President, is understood to favour as extensive purchases in the Sterling area as possible in order to:

1. **Help bolster the economic status of South East Asia as a powerful weapon against Communism.**

2. Supplying for this area dollars most of which are used by Britain would have a direct bearing on Britain's economic stability, which in turn is helpful to the strategic strength of the Atlantic pact.

Britain's informal request for the United States to increase her purchases in the Sterling area has been transmitted through the American Ambassador, Lewis Douglas.—United Press.

Abetz Puts Up Defence

Paris, July 15.

Otto Abetz, former Nazi Ambassador to France told a military court trying him today that he gave orders for French art treasures to be seized secretly by night and sent to Germany.

It was the third day's hearing of the war crime charge against Abetz, for whom the penalty may be death.

One count in the indictment charges the handsome 46-year-old former art teacher with complicity in looting 22,000 French works of art.

Abetz claimed, under cross-examination, that he had acted for the protection of art in France, the works of art being taken as a pledge against future reparations to be paid to Germany.

Questioned about the looting of Jewish property, he said: "Anti-Jewish measures under the German occupation were as inevitable as the introduction of Socialist measures in territory occupied by the British Army."—Reuter.

CRIPPS REQUESTS CUTS IN IMPORTS

London, July 15.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, is reported to have asked all Commonwealth members to cut their dollar imports by some $300,000,000 during the next 12 months.

Sir Stafford's reported proposals are said to be meeting some criticism from Pakistan and South Africa, who complain of Britain's high prices and slow deliveries which have compelled them to turn to dollar countries for ugently-needed essentials.

It is understood that the proposed cuts concern petrol, motor cars, trucks, agricultural machinery, newsprint and some consumer goods.

India is understood to have promised full support for Sir Stafford's proposals, provided she will be allowed to import agricultural machinery from dollar sources. The Indian Finance Minister, Mr. John Matthai, plans to return to India on July 21, by which time the Commonwealth Finisters' conference here will be virtually completed.

Sir Stafford's scale of the proposed cuts is said to have been fixed with the hope of effecting an approximate balance of payments for the sterling area in 1949-50 after allowing for Marshall aid.

Official Quarters emphasised that the Commonwealth Ministers' conference is competent to deal only with immediate emergencies pending more permanent decisions to be taken in September.

An air of tenseness is said to have dominated today's talks, with most delegates feeling they are not getting enough dollars for themselves from the sterling area's dollar pool.

When the current conference finishes, probably next week-end, Sir Stafford is expected to initiate talks with other members of the sterling area, including Eire, Iraq, Burma and Iceland, to ask their co-operation in solving the gold and dollar crisis of the sterling area.

Commodity Pact Proposal

Proposals for international commodity agreements for rubber, tin and cocoa on the lines of the International Wheat Agreement are believed to have been discussed by the Commonwealth Ministers.

Rubber, tin and cocoa are three of the important dollar earners of the Sterling Area.

The proposal is expected to be taken to Washington for discussion when the British, American and Canadian economic "Big Three" meet there in early September to discuss the dollar-sterling deadlock.

Some Commonwealth quarters suggest that international agreements may be extended to cover other Sterling Area dollar-earning commodities.

Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, acting leader of the Ceylon delegation, last night told Reuter that before the conference breaks up he expects a short term, intermediate term and long term remedy for the problem of natural rubber in South East Asia.

"If, as we all hope, the dollar and sterling economies are to collaborate together, the basic conditions of the dollar economy, namely arrangements like the wheat agreement, must be applied to comparable items like rubber and tin in the Sterling Area," he added.

Sir Oliver said today that Ceylon's special problems are well to the forefront of the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' conference, which is going satisfactorily.

He added that the Ceylon delegation is satisfied with the progress made both from the point of view of general Commonwealth interest and its own special problems.

Minister At The FO

Pakistan's Finance Minister, Mr. Ghulam Mohammed, called on the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, after today's session of the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' talks.

He is the second Commonwealth Finance Minister to have separate conversations with the Foreign Secretary.

Mr. Douglas C. Abbott, Canadian Finance Minister, saw Mr. Bevin earlier this week.

The future of Commonwealth policy in the Far East, which diplomatic observers believe will be a major factor affecting the distribution of Commonwealth dollars, particularly if India is to be encouraged to make a bid for political leadership in the Far East as a counterpoise to Communist China; is one of the subjects which directly interest both Pakistan and Britain.

The hint given last Monday by the Pakistan Foreign Minister, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, in a declaration in Lahore, that Pakistan will always welcome economic co-operation with Afghanistan, may be amplified by Mr. Ghulam Mohammed in his talks with Mr. Bevin tonight.—United Press and Reuter.

Afghanistan Ambassador Sees Bevin

London, July 15.

Afghanistan's Ambassador, Sardar Faiz Mohammed Zekria Khan, called on the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, at the Foreign Office tonight.

The visit concerned the Afghan-Pakistan frontier dispute, in which both Governments claim jurisdiction over tribal areas on the Pakistan side of the Durand Line marking the Eastern frontier of Afghanistan before the British withdrawal from India.

The British view was recently defined in the House of Commons by Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, when he endorsed the Durand Line, thereby implying that Britain considers Pakistan to possess all those administrative rights formerly exercised in the tribal area by the Government of British India.

A new turn in the dispute came last Monday when the Pakistan Foreign Minister, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, speaking at Lahore, re-asserted Pakistan's claim to the disputed area, but stated that Pakistan will at all times welcome discussion with Afghanistan on the question of economic co-operation and assistance.—Reuter.

MOSCOW WISHFUL THINKING

Moscow, July 15.

Several articles in the Soviet press today commented on Britain's economic difficulties, the main theme being that Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, is trying to find a way out at the expense of the British workers.

Some writers argue that Britain's economic difficulties are bound to increase because the Labour Government's aim is the nationalisation of a few industries only and to preserve intact the monopoly of capital.

Commenting on Sir Stafford's statement that Britain must decrease the cost of exports by higher productivity per worker, the Russian Navy newspaper "Red Fleet" said: "Decreasing production costs means intensifying exploitation of the British worker."

The youth newspaper "Komsomolskaya Pravda" declared that the "enslaving" Marshall Plan has transfored Britain into a junior partner of the American warmongers.

"It is the British workers who have to pay for the fruits of this anti-national policy," the newspaper said.—Reuter.

U.S. ARMS CUTS

Washington, July 15.

United States Senators agreed tentatively today to cut $1,250,000,000 from proposed military spending during this fiscal year.

The Senate Appropriations Committee, according to one Senator, reduced by $700,000,000 the funds allowed by the House of Representatives for the Air Force. The object of the economies is an attempt to balance the budget.—Reuter.

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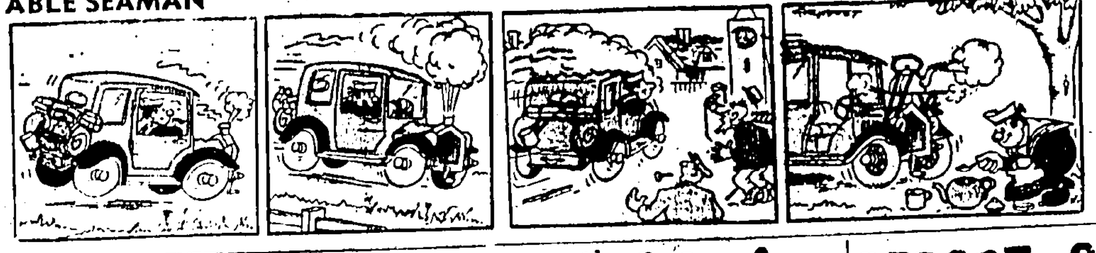

Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

Last week you may have seen a large headline announcing that wives in Britain may be sent to Clearner Isaac to receive lectures on home management.

The idea was a local one and had particular reference to Hong Kong's clearance area, but I think it is so good that it should be adapted to cover wider ground. It should be attached much earlier to be exact, before anybody becomes a wife.

Earnest students of the domestic side of life assume us that the male is fundamentally a lazy animal. He seldom leaves a home which is reasonably well run and peaceful to live in.

I suppose it is partly on the rather simple assumption that the Government's brawsey talks do, step forward, educating the young in the art of happy marriage. After all, it's a big subject and you can't start too early.

Personally I am all in favour. I don't claim to know much about love, either, but there is certainly nothing among the subjects for a girl's school leaving certificate that is likely to contribute much to marital bl

After taking a consensus of opinion among some of our young friends, husband, I would suggest for senior girls, a curriculum to be entitled "Do I honeymoon

Problems and How to Tackle Them." It could run something like this:

Partnership Acceptance (social significance subject): This course trains the student to recall the existence of a husband even when he is out of sight. In all domestic matters she learns to think in double harness.

Such reminders as putting a wedding ring on the right hand (where, since it is new, it will be just as comfortable as on the left) are disallowed. The aim of the course is to persuade the student to cope with a husband's clothes with the same interest as her own. And to remember to buy razor blades, when she goes for nail varnish.

Common Conversation (elementary psychology): a course of lectures and discussions): This would open with a few hints on average husbands, their habits and probable moods. And go on to stress the extreme inadvisability of bright comment early in the morning, any time during the first day of the month, or when watching the changing of a flat tyre.

The course would also include such matters as: "Party postmortems, the danger of"; "How to keep quiet when a husband and traffic cop are at variance"; "The quiet evening at home—conversation and when to stop."

The bride would be gently advised that reading out very, very funny bits from the book she is enjoying to a husband who also is reading almost never makes him laugh.

The Refrigerator (scientific short, but important): This is strictly practical. The student learn to pack and unpack the "fridge" and discovers the folly of hiding snacks behind the bottles. She learns to place fresh milk at the back, and not to put an opened tin where a husband will inevitably knock it over.

Reading in Bed (cultural subject): How to read in bed without driving a husband crazy. This course has such topics as: "Control of covers and how to keep out draught"; "The window: Is it last-in-bed or last-to-close-a book who opens it?" "Eating: can one sleep with crumbs or the smell of an orange?" "Lights out, or shall I finish the book?"

This course teaches the student a certain amount of esprit de corps. Also never to embark on the last chapters of a whodunit after 9 p.m. (Eating in bed is limited to a noiseless, crumbless glass of milk.)

Money (difficult course; primary arithmetic a prerequisite): This teaches to add as many as 10 separate money items correctly. (There need be only two figures in the £ column. Nobody can ever afford even this much, so it will be quite enough.)

It explains that a cheque book is an inanimate object incapable of forging its own mistakes. Also tells students that a husband *loves* accounts; but that it is no use keeping them on the backs of bills, on old letters or newspaper corners. These transient oddments render useles the labour involved.

Cupboard Space (science again): This needs practical demonstration to get across. The lectures will be based on the theory: "A Husband Needs SOME Space." To proceed along the lines, "Why does he need space, and can I possibly spare it?"

To complete this course and pass her exam., the student must state clearly in front of witnesses her willingness to hand over one fifth of cupboard space and one drawer in five to a husband.

That is all I have had time to work out up to now, and undoubtedly there are some important points missing. Anyway, I hardly think the Board of Education will adopt this plan right away. But I can't help feeling that if they did they would have some very large classes and some quite exceptionally attentive pupils.

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REPORT ON THE PRESS

The Report of the Royal Commission on the Press has been received with a very ill grace by the majority of Socialist M.P.s.

Mr. Anthony Eden rightly took Mr. Morrison to task for his reluctance to give Government time to debate upon it, an attitude in such marked contrast to his enthusiastic provision of facilities for the earlier debate which, after a free vote, caused the Commission to be set up.

Warned Them

Mr. Skeffington-Lodge was the only Socialist to remind the House that he had then warned his colleagues against their action and to compare the outcome to the proverbial mouse which emerged from the mountain in labour.

However, thanks to the Opposition, there is shortly to be a debate on the Report, and we shall doubtless hear a good deal more of the criticisms which have already been appearing in the Left-Wing Press. For it is hardly true to say that the Report has whitewashed all British journalists, though this will probably remain the general impression, since the present Report, unlike that of the Coal Board contains no shocking misprints of the type likely to boost it into the best-seller class.

Tried To Convict

It must not be forgotten that it was group of journalists in the Commons, whose allegations about the British Press which they had long served, first encouraged Mr. Morrison, against the better judgment of the Prime Minister, to engineer the inquiry.

Messrs. Foot, Haydn Davies, Mallalieu and Driberg were determined to convict their former employers, and certain that they had the case in the bag. They were supported by the written evidence of a clique in the National Union of Journalists.

Now it emerges from the Report that it was precisely this body of evidence which altogether failed to stand up under cross-examination and study. So these journalists have now, by inference at least, been found guilty of the most serious offence in their profession, that of making allegations based on unchecked facts or mere prejudiced fancy.

It is clear also, from the comments forthcoming in the past few days from some of the instigators of the inquiry, that their original motives had been far from disinterested or dominated merley by a desire to preserve or increase the highest professional standards; rather were they seeking, on purely political grounds, to secure the condemnation of the Right-Wing Press.

One such comment has amounted to an attack on the composition of the Commission itself, which we are to understand, was not sufficiently packed with Socialists to bring the purge trial verdict expected of it by the party. As it turned out, it was probably the fact that most members of the Commission brought a fresh eye to bear upon the subject that the Report is so moderate and sensible.

On the mere question of facts there is little to be learnt from the Report which was not already admirably laid out in Lord Camrose's concise study of British Newspapers and their Ownership. The latter may have been more expensive to buy, but then it was not so expensive to produce, nor did the charges fall upon the taxpayer.

It will, indeed, be very difficult for the Government to escape the charge of frivolous extravagance in having authorised this lengthy inquiry. Many Socialists could, like Sir Hartley Shawcross has done, have withdrawn their heedless charges against the Press simply as a result of giving the matter a little study and reflection. While those whose prejudices die harder will hardly be persuaded to change their tune by the Royal Commission.

Nevertheless, many people will find the Report's survey of the developments in the British Press, since Lord Northcliffe's great revolution, full of fascinating interest. The growth of the popular national newspapers dates from the birth of The Daily Mail.

The great increases in circulation have followed the great increase in literacy. But this increase has evidently depressed the general level of intelligence to a very low common denominator, and the process of depression has by no means halted.

Half-Knowledge

It is a thirst for half-knowledge and a hunger for miscellaneous information and entertainment on a superficial plane which the popular newspapers have to satisfy to-day if they are to continue to provide their services for as little as a penny a copy. On the other hand, there has been a corresponding increase in the sales of the so-called "quality" newspapers.

It is interesting to find that the latter have been found by the Commission to be less susceptible than their more popular contemporaries of falling into occasional error. The three-penny Observer, for example is most strongly condemned for publishing as a news story a work of pure fiction which had the misfortune to choose the private sessions of the Royal Commission as the setting of its plot.

Politicians would do well to take note of the Report's remarks about political bias in newspapers. Such a bias is almost impossible altogether to avoid, and it is further true that all fence-sitting newspapers are not only dull but deadening.

Their Influence

It has long been obvious that the political influence of the Press has been consistently overvalued. The 1945 election result should have provided some evidence of that People's political views are more likely to be coloured by the 3d or 6d. weeklies, which exist in every shade.

Probably only a tiny minority of Lord Beaverbrook's vast clientele are Empire Free Traders, or know what that pet fallacy is about. The Daily Herald probably carries more weight with the racegoers of Socialist Britain than with its trade unionists. By the same token, I must cheerfully admit that Frank Harvey is undoubtedly a more powerful attraction than this columnist.

Like its forerunner on Population, the Report is much concerned with the low standard of intelligence, not only of readers but of journalists. There may be serious cause for anxiety here, sign of the times though it be.

But here again there may be misunderstanding. Popular journalism is more of a technique than a science or an art, but it is a skilled technique. The Commission might, for instance, have been surprised to find what a high proportion of brilliant scholars is to be found in the offices of those newspapers with the highest circulation and the lowest intellectual level.

In the lifetime of the present Socialist Government there have been several important inquiries, committees, and tribunals. It would be invidious to mention them all. It should be a source of universal gratification to learn that, whoever may in Britain be guilty of being corruptly influenced, it is not the newspapers or their publisher and editors.

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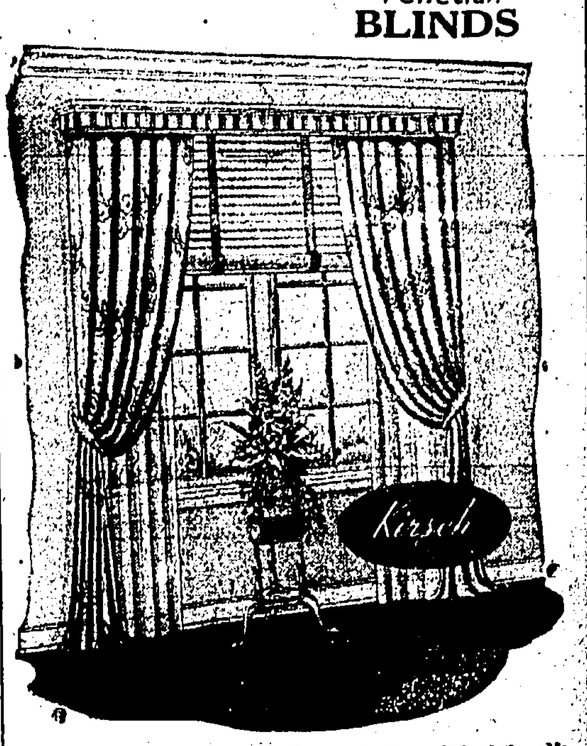

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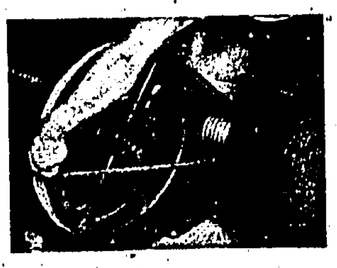

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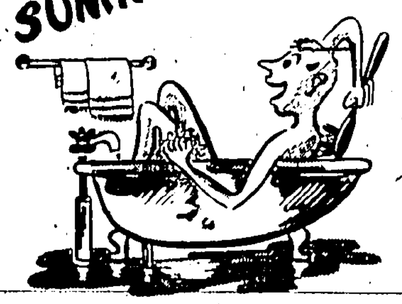

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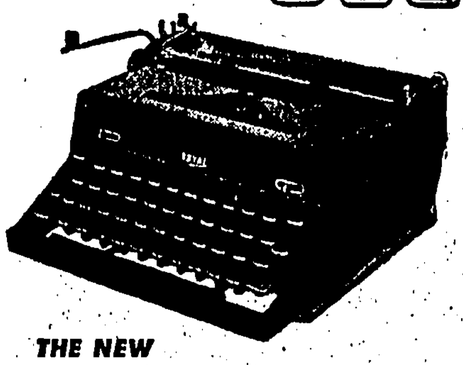

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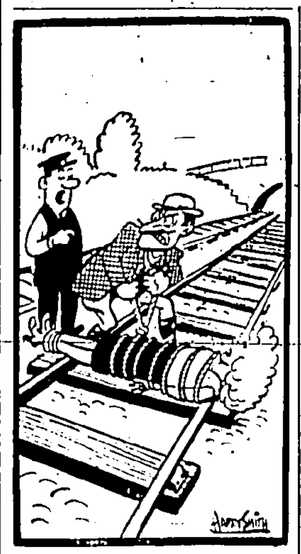

"You're wasting your time, Mac—no trains on a Sunday."

The little knot of men looking on cheered as he covered the last few yards. "Come on, Eric," they called. "You're in the home stretch. Make it a strong finish."

Thus I met Eric Foster, the man who in three years flashed from the obscurity of a milk round to be champion National Hunt jockey.

This scene of our meeting was no racecourse. Eric Foster was running on his own feet. The colours he carried consisted of a pot of drab grey paint; the "stands" were trestles supporting unfinished aircraft bodies. Cheering was coming from his workmates.

We were in a giant hangar of the Gloster aircraft factory. Eric Foster works there now, in the erection shops; his job, to climb under the fuselages of Meteor jets in the making and carefully go over vital parts with a half-inch paintbrush.

In a distant part of the factor he had been told a visitor was waiting for him, and true to form he had run all the way to meet me. It is his habit, and a source of amusement to his pals. But behind the joke lies one of the most tragic stories sport has to offer.

Eric Foster's is a success story—up to a point.

Deljvered The Milk

A pre-1914 flat race race apprentice with Victor Tabor at Epsom, he had returned from the war to find his weight had jumped from 5st. 6lb. to 10st. 3lb. Racing and Foster bade farewell to each

By STANLEY RUSSELL

other, and he went back to the West County, farming at Malvern, where his early morning exercise with horse was confined to delivering the milk.

After three years he was introduced to Ben Roberts, a "jumping" trainer, who offered him a job looking after his horses at National Hunt meetings.

Short of a rider at Nottingham one day, Mr. Roberts asked Foster to take the mount on a horse called Torpedocwake. It was Foster's first ride "over the country," but he finished third and rode the same horse to victory next day. Roberts liked his style as much as his success, and henceforth Foster became a familiar figure on the course again.

The climax to his career came on a wonderful day at Wolverhampton barely three years later, when he rode five winners and so pipped Fred Rees to the championship with 76 winners against 73 for the season.

"I was concerned in an objection over all five winners," chuckles Foster. "I made two myself, and three objections to me were overruled."

Fall From Fame

But almost as rapidly as he was plucked from the ranks and lifted to fame, he was thrust down again.

A few years after becoming champion jockey he was so badly injured in a fall that he was unconscious for almost three weeks, and seriously ill for months.

This ride in April, 1934, is the most memorable of all in Foster's career, yet it is the one he know least about.

"I was due to ride at Ludlow," he told me, "but I did not feel well, and asked Billy Speck, who was going with me, to drive us. On the journey we began discussing a horse called Vain Prince, my first mount of the day.

"Be careful of him," warned Billy. He had pulled Vain Prince up in a race a week previously, and advised me to do the same if I felt there was likely to be trouble. I would gladly not have ridden that day, but the trainer persuaded me to change my mind. I took a dislike to the horse in the paddock, and decided to pull him up after the first hurdle.

"He didn't give me the chance. He ran me smack into it."

Foster has no recollection of what happened, but onlookers have told him several other horses kicked him as they went over. He never rode another winner.

Everything went. His savings were spent on his illness: The comparative luxury of his home life faded—the stables, the maid, the car. When he was able to work again no-one would give him a chance in racing.

Recognised 'Hoodoo'

Foster had to take the best job he could find—with a furniture maker. With the war he got work at the aircraft factory, and has been there ever since.

The story of his ride on Vain Prince has a sequel. Four years ago, Eric Foster, by now living in Cheltenham, stopped to speak to a milk roundsman.

The milkman's horse was old. But Foster recognised two white markings on the hind legs.

"I know that horse," he said. "That's Vain Prince, the horse that threw me at Ludlow in 1934 and put me out of racing."

He was right. The milkman had bought Vain Prince for £5.

If Foster feels that here was a form of poetic justice he shows no sign. To him a horse is an animal to be loved and if possible understood, whether it be a docile creature or a bad 'un.

He told me of some of his mounts as we sat in the parlour of the semi-detached house where he lives with his wife and three children. The walls were linked with pictures of Foster and some of his horses. As he talked he sat astride the corner of his chair. His hands, with the thumbs pointing forward and the index fingers almost meeting across his chest, were holding the reins of memory.

Long Forgotten

Before his deep-set grey eyes paraded horses like Grakle, Knight Bachelor, Phaco, White Park and others whose names have long since been forgotten.

He won the Liverpool Hurdle on Knight Bachelor and rode Grakle to a number of victories—but not in the Grand National.

His favourite was a grand little white-legged chestnut called Phaco, whose only fault was that he would jump and kick sky high for about 20 minutes every morning.

"No one but me could do anything with him," says Foster, "but I won several races on him. He was a high-spirited little fellow but no one else seemed to understand him. I would let him kick, and when he had had his fling I talked to him and he would become so docile I could do anything with him.

"Only once did he give me trouble, and that was before a race at Sandown Park in which he was to be ridden by the Duke of Windsor, the Prince of Wales.

"But Phaco didn't appreciate the honour. He kicked and reared so much I thought I should never quieten him. Eventually I gave up trying, and instead spent all my efforts hanging on to the Prince's left leg to keep him in the saddle.

"For several minutes we went around like that, with Phaco rearing and prancing, and me hanging on to anchor the Prince. He didn't win the race, but at least he didn't come off—and that was quite a feat on Phaco that day."

'Trier' Fell Dead

Another horse Foster liked was the gallant White Park. "I rode him in the Grand National once, in Sprig's year, 1927," said Foster. "He came down—at the last ditch first time round I think it was—but let me remount him and then went flying away over the fences. I couldn't pull him up until he had caught the leaders at the end, but we just missed a place."

The effort was typical of both horse and rider. Later, White Park dropped dead 50 yards after clearing the last fence in a race at Birmingham. Not until then did Foster discover that this horse, one of the most genuine triers of the day, had only one lung.

As the memories came flooding back, Foster shed the years and became in imagination once again the young man riding the horses he was talking about, shifting his weight on the chair that had now become a saddle, leaning forward to get the last ounce out of the tale. His eyes took on a new sparkle as he talked.

At 51, whatever else he has lost, he still retains the enthusiasm of his youth.

"I'm not done yet," he said as we parted. "I shall ride again, you'll see."

INSIDE INFORMATION

By MERCURY

An all-out campaign by the Christian Churches against Communism will be debated next month when the World Council of Churches Committee meets at Chichester.

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The USSR is secretly encouraging the movement to bring the United Nations headquarters back to Europe. Inside information reported recently that a dollar shortage was making most nations despair of staying in Manhattan.

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Trade Unions in engineering industries vital to Britain's export drive are agitating for a 40-hour week. Germans in similar factories are working 48 hours with lower wages and rations.

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Painful discovery in Switzerland—traces of top Nazi fortunes have been found tucked away in a bank with high international connections.

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The Kremlin has sent specially selected clergy to the Russian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem. Russia will have a big say if the Holy City is internationalised.

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Americans are flying back gifts to English friends of famous English cheeses that have been exported to the United States in the dollar drive.

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German shipyards have so many foreign orders in hand that they are refusing more. Low wages in the German steel trade have resulted in low tenders.

British in Rangoon claim they have been "blockaded" by local unrest nearly as long as Berlin. No Europeans have been outside the Burmese capital by car since last August. Two sportsmen who ventured out shooting were stripped by irregulars of everything but their trousers.

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The U.S. Embassy in London has reported to Washington on wasteful housekeeping by the Labour Government. The report estimates that surplus potato purchasing by the Ministry of Food has made a loss of £7,000,000.

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The Chinese Red Generalissimo, Mao Tse-Tung, has sent an envoy to Tito, but the Marshal refuses to see him.

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Sir Stafford Cripps is concerned at Britain's weekly National Savings figures—they continue to show withdrawals higher than investments.

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The French Government is concealing the immense extent of the oil finds in North Africa.

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Big dollar earnings for Britain will come from America's new 38,000-ton luxury liner, which is being insured mainly with Lloyd's. American underwriters are covering only one-sixth of the sum involved.

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British steel firms have ordered from the U.S.A. two plate rolling mills of 15-foot breadth. They will be the biggest in Europe and will speed up shipbuilding.

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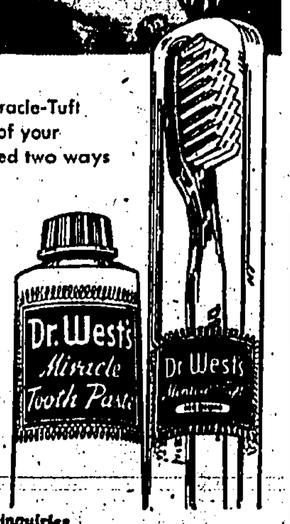

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Head-Hunters Look For Oil

By GRAHAM STANFORD

Board any British aircraft heading East these days and it's a fair bet that you'll meet some of the front-line operators in Britain's Battle for Oil.

And it's equally safe to say that in no time at all they will be telling you the fantastic story of a place called Seria and of how the Wild Men of Borneo are boring below the bed of the South China Sea in search of the stuff.

You've probably never heard of Seria. Neither had I until some oil men aboard this flying-boat got out their maps.

But I'm assured that in a few years from now Britain will think very gladly of Seria and be grateful to the men who have given up head-hunting to hunt oil.

Goes By Boat

Seria is just a "back o' beyond" spot on the map in the native State of Brunei, off the jungle coast of British Borneo. No railroad runs there; no aircraft can land, and if you want to reach it you must travel by boat.

But a few months ago it took the lead from Trinidad as the most important oil-producing area in the British Commonwealth, and in the past three years production has risen from nothing to a rate of 3,000,000 metric tons a year.

It is now operating at an annual rate of 3,500,000 tons.

Experts tell me that Seria probably has the finest future of any oil field in the world: "Just wait," they say, "until we really get cracking below the bed of the China Sea. There's certainly oil below them thar waves."

The Dyaks of Borneo threw away their knives to give this boost to Britain's oil production. Last year they did not lop off a single human head.

It took years of geological investigation to find Seria, and many an oil man nearly lost his life in the treacherous inland swamps. What happens there today is of vital importance in the World Battle for Oil.

In the entire Far Eastern area only the East Indies produce oil in any quantities. Nearest alternative sources of supply are the United States and the Middle East.

U.S. Needs All

Today the United States cannot spare the shipments she used to make to the Far East before the war and the output of the Middle East is urgently required in Western Europe.

So, with all hands stretched eagerly out for oil, the spotlight turns on faraway Seria, and almost every aircraft that leaves Britain for the Far East carries men with arms pricked like pincushions with inoculation "shots," who will spend the next few years of their lives in this under-the-sea search for oil.

Official figures tell of the great job done by Britain's oil men in Borneo since the Japanese surrender.

The Japs fired the fields and wrecked the plant, but a great salvage drive helped to put things right, and present production is easily beating pre-war output.

Export of oil and crude petroleum last year was 634,000,000 gallons, compared with 171,000,000 gallons in 1938.

Seria itself beat all records. Daily production in January 1947 was 2,000 tons: Present production rate is 10,000 tons a day.

Talk to the British technicians aboard these aircraft heading East and you realise that private enterprise is not dead or dying within the Colonial Empire.

Quite apart from the £120,000,000 that the Colonial Development Corporation intend to spend on Colonial schemes, private enterprise is also backing its belief in the Empire to the tune of millions. Oil is at the top of the list.

I was shown a blueprint of the new Seria that is now taking shape. It looked like a tropical garden city with shops, hospital, an open-air cinema, and all essential services. It is being built for the British Malayan Petroleum Company, a Shell subsidiary, by the London firm of George Wimpey and Co., and it will cost about £2,000,000.

Until now the Europeans in Seria have lived in houses built of palm trees on a framework of jungle poles. But the new Seria, with 1,000 permanent buildings, will have avenues of concrete houses, and the builders boast that they will contain almost every comfort to be found in a modern flat.

So much has happened to Seria in the past few months that the oil men say that even the Wild Men of Borneo are no longer surprised. They've given up gaping and are getting right down to work with modern tools.

Back To Village

But the Dyak, apparently, is still rather a dilettante. He finds it difficult to settle for long even in this exciting oil business. He's quite liable suddenly to down tools, trek back to his village, and return to his traditional job of hunting.

But his head-hunting these days is definitely "out." The Dyak frankly admits that during the war he captured a few Japanese "souvenirs." But when the war was over he gave it up—much to the relief and surprise of the British authorities, who feared that once the head-hunting passion was aroused again it might be difficult to quench.

Present population of the oil town is about 3,000, including 220 Europeans, and more people pour in every week. In the capital village of Brunei, about 100 miles away, the Sultan sits in his "house on stilts" and let them get on with it, for he's long since ceased to wonder at the ways of the white man.

This under-the-sea search for oil will mean the construction of a 4,000ft.-long concrete jetty from which the under water drilling will be carried out. Surplus Bailey bridges are to be used in the building of the jetty.

Oil Men Happy

The drilling platform will be supported on more than 160 piles and is designed for the drilling of four wells of about 10,000ft. in depth.

These oil men (and those who are building the town) are enthusiastic not only about the prospects of Seria but of the other East Indian fields.

For years America has led the world in the building of oil installations. Now British enterprise is backing its belief in the Empire's oil future, and in the words of one: "Seria is the pay-off."

Says another: "I know most of the world's oil fields, and they're fairly grim spots. But Seria is different; Seria is right out of this world — it's got them all beaten for looks. And if that old China sea-bed gives what it promises it may have them beaten for output."

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UN COUNCIL BACKS SCHEMES FOR EAST

Geneva, July 15.

The 18-nation Economic and Social Council, subsidiary only to the United Nations General Assembly, today gave its approval to the activities of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE) and authorised a bigger budget for the Commission next year.

Dr. P. S. Lokanathan, Executive Secretary of the Commission, reported that ECAFE has in the past year taken major strides towards its aim of concerting action for the economic reconstruction of Asia and the Far East.

It has also progressed towards raising the level of economic activity in this part of the world and maintaining and strengthening the economic relations among these countries and with the other regions of the world.

He asked for an additional $88,000 for next year to allow him to increase the Commission's permanent staff from 45 to 58.

Dr. Lokanathan described how the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East will approach its task through subsidiary bodies specialising in industry and trade, iron and steel and in travel.

The committee on trade and industry will try to promote international co-operation in carrying out specific projects for industrial and commercial rehabilitation in Asia and the Far East.

The sub-committee on iron and steel will assemble full information about iron and other ore deposits used for steel in the region. It will invite member governments to report on the progress of domestic iron and steel expansion projects, and will try to remove obstacles to the achievement of such projects.

The sub-committee will examine the possibilities of utilising larger quantities of scrap iron in both big and small plants, and will determine the potential supplies of scrap and how they may be secured.

Enormous Problems

In a separate survey submitted to the Economic and Social Council and published earlier this month, Dr. Lokanathan deplored the lurdy and uneven progress of the industries of Asia and the Far East.

"In the sphere of production, only rubber has exceeded pre-war levels, while the position of other industrial and agricultural products remains unsatisfactory," he reported.

He concluded that on the whole, although the progress of reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Asian economy has been very low, some satisfaction may be derived from the fact that there has been an all-round improvement over the immediate post-war situation, in spite of political difficulties and civil strife.

Mr. B. P. Adarkar, chief of the Economic Affairs Section of the Indian External Affairs Department, told the Council that the ECAFE is making a determined effort to evolve progressively a machinery which will enable it to take its activities from the sphere of investigation and research to the stage of practical steps towards industrial development and economic progress.

He added: "We have felt all along that the ECAFE must play a positive and active role in promoting industrial development, although the primary initiative must rest with the government of each country.

"The only practical programme which the ECAFE could undertake immediately has been to continue to collect factual data, to encourage member countries to formulate projects, to watch the progress of such projects and to promote co-operative action for the solution of difficulties.

Dr. Adarkar added that there has been no Marshall Plan to stimulate recovery in Asia, where the problems to be faced have been far more enormous than those of Europe.

Living Standards

He gave India's full approval to the suggestion that ECAFE's budget be increased to allow the appointment of more permanent staff. The 13 full members of the ECAFE are: Australia, Burma, China, France, India, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, Thailand, the Soviet Union, Britain and the United States. Seven associate members also admitted are: Cambodia, Ceylon, Hong Kong, the Republic of Indonesia, Laos, Malaya and the British Borneo group, and Nepal.

Mr. Amazas Arutiunian, the Soviet delegate, said the main task of ECAFE should be to further the development of national independence in the countries of the region, and to raise the living standards.

"ECAFE has done little towards this main objective, because the colonial powers play a decisive role in the Organisation and have a strong influence," Mr. Arutiunian said.

He urged the Commission: "Get rid of these chains."

Mr. J. Plimsoll, of Australia, said international action could be effective in raising living standards in only a few countries of Asia and the Far East. That is is why, he said, the ECAFE has established so few subsidiary bodies, in comparison with those set up by the Economic Commissions for Europe or Latin America.

He said that the task of raising living standards rests mainly on the national governments, and he paid tribute to India's realistic national efforts.—Reuter.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE

London, July 15.

A foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons next Thursday, July 21, has been arranged on Opposition initiative.

Mr. Anthony Eden will be the leading speaker for the Opposition.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, will reply for the Government.

It is regarded as certain that Mr. Eden will ask for fuller information than has yet been made public on the recent Council of Foreign Ministers in Paris and on the Government's general policy towards the Soviet Union.

The state of preparedness of the Western Powers and the implementation of the Atlantic treaty, which may have been ratified before next Thursday's debate, are seen as linked up to the question of relations with the Soviet Union.

The debate will also provide an opportunity for the Opposition to ask for an up-to-date statement of Government policy towards the Council of Europe before the British delegation, composed of members of Parliament from both sides of the House, leaves for Strasbourg for the inaugural meeting of the Council at the beginning of August.—Reuter.

BOMBER CRASH IN LINCOLN

Lincoln, July 15.

A Royal Air Force Lincoln bomber crashed in flames today near a bomb dump at Skellingthorpe, a village near Lincoln, killing all the crew.

Four bodies have so far been recovered from the wreckage which was widely scattered.

A former German prisoner of war who saw the crash said that the bomber came out of low clouds with flames shooting out of the fuselage and then dived to the ground.—Reuter.

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ISRAEL ROLE AS EAST-WEST LINK

London, July 15.

Dr. Leo Baeck, President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, said here today: "It would be a great thing if the State of Israel could become a bridge between East and West."

Dr. Baeck was speaking at the second day of the Union's international conference, which is being attended by nearly 50 overseas delegates. He said that the Jews, after years of struggling for Jewish rights, can now, from their own country, fight for human rights. Humanity, he added, has been brought to the brink of the abyss. Now it is trying to come back to life.—Reuter.

America To Compete In The Rice Market

Washington, July 15.

American rice growers are aiming at a greater place in the international rice trade and are looking to Japan as a market for a portion of their expanding crops.

Under the stimulus of wartime demand and expansion, production now is nearing 100,000,000 bushels yearly, says the U.S. Agriculture Department.

Louisiana growers believe that, with mechandisation and other cost-cutting production methods, they can compete with Oriental rice producers for the trade of Japan, the Philippines and other rice importing nations.

A new U.S. survey of the present world rice crop indicates that Oriental producers are likely to grow an estimated 1,000,000,000 bushels from 33,000,000 acres, largely in Burma, Siam, and French Indo-China.

The Japanese crop is also estimated at upwards of 575,000,000 bushels with 600,000,000 bushels expectable within a few years.

Despite these increasing production totals, the survey estimates that producing nations will not reach pre-war levels for another five years.

Even then, exports are expected to be below pre-war figures while the needs of importing countries may reach new high levels.

Any Type Of Grain

For these reasons, and because of the favourable production factors in the U.S., Americans are planning to enter the Oriental rice trade when the purchasing power of Far East countries will permit.

American growers say they will produce whatever kind of rice the consumers desire.

For Japan, they say, the short grain semi-glutinous variety is desired, "and we will grow it and lay it down in Japan at competitive prices and make a profit."—Associated Press.

'Army Worms' Threatening Rice Crops

Manila, July 15.

A plague of caterpillars known as "army worms" is threatening rice crops in Central Luzon, an official announcement stated here today.

Ravagers have increased to such an extent in the past few days that President Elpido Quirino, after a meeting of the combined Cabinet and Council of State, has allocated $450,000 to fight the pest.

Philippine army helicopters are being used to spray insecticides over the standing crops.—Reuter.

YEAR OF TROUBLE IN CHINA

Shanghai, July 15.

This year of the Chinese Communists' greatest success is also becoming a year of great trouble.

The Communists have had to take over operation of a vast, war-devastated and impoverished land. This was a task the Nationalists were unable to perform even with foreign help.

A severe spring drought in Communist North China has sharply reduced crop yields. Details have not filtered through the news black-out in the North, but the Communists have slashed farm taxes, indicating the drought was damaging.

After the Reds mass crossing of the Yangtse river, with the capture of Nanking, Shanghai Hankow and Hangchow, their drive South has been bogged down by the worst floods in two decades.

All the way from Shantung province in the North to Kwangtung province in the South, rivers are out of their banks.

Thousands of acres of rice and other food crops are beyond salvage.

Nationalist "closure" of Red-held ports, although not recognised by the big powers, has blocked maritime commerce.

Shipping companies simply refuse to accept the risks, whatever the niceties of the legal view may be.

Finally, Shanghai, with nearly 6,000,000 people, is one of the world's most difficult cities to manage. It is proving just as cantankerous for the Communists as for the Nationalists.

Prices are skyrocketing while the Reds grimly try to hold the line against inflation just as the Nationalists vainly did time after time. Labour unrest is growing.

The "Emancipation Daily" said that floods are spreading in North Kiangsu, covering an area of 160,000 acres. The authorities are mobilising available civil labour for emergency work.

The Nanking situation is reported to be improving after 16 days of dyke strengthening in which 46,000 gunny bags and 1,000 planks were used. The "Emancipation Daily" said that emergency work conducted by a force of 40,000 persons has ensured the safety of Nanking outskirts, Pukow and Pucheng, river towns opposite Nanking.—Associated Press and United Press.

AUSTRIAN TREATY DEADLOCK

London, July 15.

The Foreign Ministers' Deputies, drafting an Austrian State treaty today discussed without appreciably nearing agreement details of the disposal of former German assets in Austria.

Britain proposed that the phrase "in general" should be dropped from a clause stating that former German assets in Austria being put under Soviet control should remain "in general" under Austrian jurisdiction.

There was general agreement in principle on this but in discussions whether Soviet-held former German assets in Austria should not without Soviet consent be subject to "alienation" (Soviet proposals) or "expropriation" (British and American proposals), Mr. Zarubin refused to accept the Western wording.

Mr. Zarubin said he is unable to give his views yet on a suggestion by Mr. Mallet and Mr. Reber, the British and American representatives, for an extra clause about the relinquishment to Austria by the three Western Powers of former German assets and reciprocal waivers between them and Austria.

It is expected that this article dealing with German assets will come up for further discussion at the deputies' next meeting on Monday.—Reuter.

ABORTION CASE SENTENCE

Brussels, July 16.

M. Marcel Gregoire, a former Member of Belgium's Chamber of Deputies, has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment and fined 1,000 Belgian francs for implication in an abortion.

M. Gregoire, a Socialist, is not related to Belgium's former Minister of Justice, who bears the same name. Some weeks ago, the Chamber was called upon to vote for the lifting of his Parliamentary immunity, and M. Gregoire asked the Deputies to vote in favour of this motion.—Reuter.

GREER GARSON MARRIED

Sant a Fe, New Mexico July 15.

Greer Garson and Colonel E. E. Fogelson, wealthy Texas rancher and sportsman, were married here today in a civil ceremony.—Associated Press.

REMEDY FOR MIDDLE EAST

London, July 15.

The independent journal "Economist" said today that close Anglo-American understanding must be the new starting point of British interest in the Middle East.

The paper said: "On this rests the best method of shaking Israel out of its warlike mood, of bringing home to its leaders their need to achieve, in their own interests, fixed frontiers and a settled neighbourhood, and of convincing them that continued Government support, diplomatic as well as financial, will be condition for more co-operative behaviour on their side."—Reuter.

MINE TRAGEDY

Madrid, July 15.

The bodies of nine of 14 miners, believed killed in yesterday's firedamp explosion at Sama de Langreo, were recovered today. The victims were all men.—Reuter.

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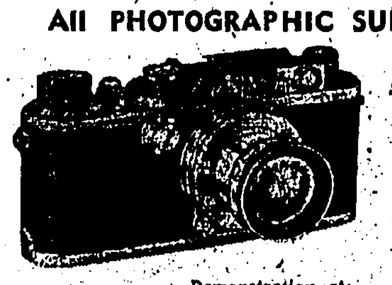

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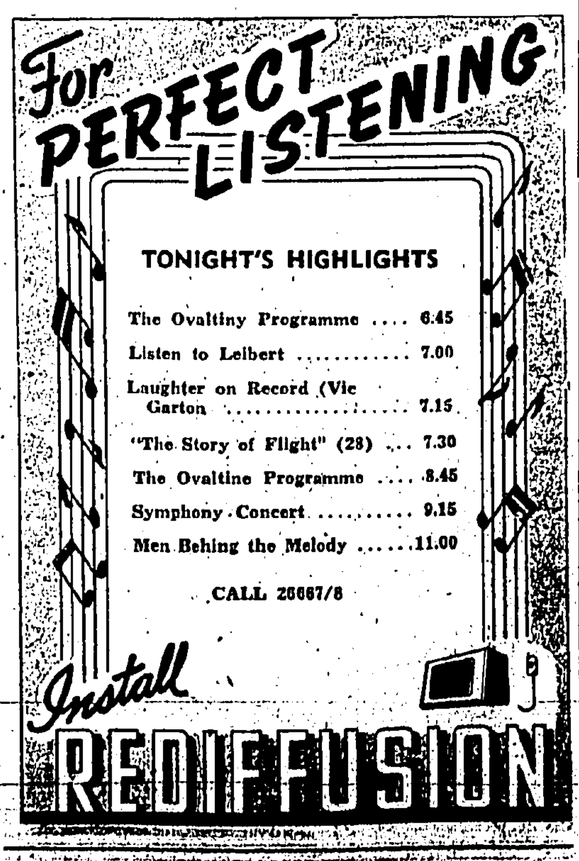

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Mystery Conferences In U.S. On Atom Bomb

Washington, July 15.

Some capital quarters today construe the secret atomic conference called by President Truman as an effort to nip developments that could jeopardise the major source of atom bomb raw material.

For nearly three hours last night President Truman engaged in earnest discussion on atomic problems with some 15 of the nation's very highest diplomatic, military, atomic and Congressional leaders.

He pledged every one of them to silence, and the White House indicated that the President himself will have nothing to say about the conference.

The President met his Cabinet at 10 p.m. After the meeting, Vice-President Alben Barkley said a secret atomic conference was mentioned in passing but not discussed. All parties to the conference, including the President, continued the news black-out decreed last night.

The acting White House press secretary, Mr. Eben Ayres, refused, in 15 minutes of questioning by reporters today to give out any information about the conference. Cabinet members reported: "The lid is still on."

However, it is learned on good authority that the Administration —whatever was discussed last night in the President's residence at Blair House—is desperately anxious to forestall a threatened misunderstanding over atomic co-operation with Britain and Canada.

Uranium in the Great Bear Lake region of Canada constitutes one of the major sources of raw material on which the United States' $3,500,000,000 atomic project depends for its life. The other source is the Belgian Congo.

Far-Fetched

Anything that might jeopardise the United States' atomic relations with Canada and Britain might, if the misunderstanding is deep enough, jeopardise the United States' access to Canadian uranium.

Some sources feel it is not too far-fetched to assume that Britain, through the Western Union, might put pressure on Belgium to divert to the British atomic project some of the Congo ore now coming to the United States.

All diplomatic sources concerned said, however, that they have heard no hints that the United States' sources of foreign uranium may be cut off.

The threat of misunderstanding involves rumours, as yet uncrystallised, that critics of the Atomic Energy Commission are about ready to "blow the roof," a story that has been prevalent concerning exchange of atom bomb "secrets" with the British and Canadians.

Many Rumours

Both the Canadians and the British have going atomic projects and the British at least are determined to manufacture atomic bombs—even if they have to do so without benefit of the latest American technical knowledge.

There have been rumours that the Atomic Energy Commission has handed the British some atom bomb information and that on one occasion, when the House-Senate Atomic Energy Committee got wind of what was going on, the United States courier bound for London was hastily summoned back.—United Press.

Congress Would Have To Approve It

Washington, July 16.

Any United States decision to give Britain information about the atomic bomb would require an Act of Congress before it could be carried out, informed sources said here today.

The present United States law forbids the disclosure of atomic information to other countries.

The statement followed reports that last night's secret meeting between President Truman and key policy makers was called to discuss giving technical information on the production of atomic bombs to Britain.—Reuter.

Jogjakarta Approval Of Cease Fire

Batavia, July 15.

The Republican Cabinet of the Premier, M. Hatta, has approved the United Nations agreement for a cease fire order to the guerillas and for Republican participation in the round table conference at The Hague, it was reported from Jogjakarta today.

According to a correspondent of the "Keng Po," the Chinese daily the Cbainet appoved the U N agreement in a night session on Thursday night.

It is reported that the agreement, which was reached in Batavia through the United Nations Commission for Indonesia on May 7, will now go for approval to the Knip (The Republican Parliamentary Working Committee, of about 20 members representing leading political parties.)

The date for Knip to consider the agreement is set for next Tuesday.—Associated Press.

Second Sentence Death

London, July 15.

A man already serving a seven-year prison term for trying to kill his wife was sentenced to death today for her murder.

Leonard Jack Thomas, aged 46, was convicted by a jury of fatally stabbing his wife, Florence, during an argument last March. She died shortly after he had been tried and sentenced on an attempted murder charge.

The jury, in returning its guilty verdict today, strongly recommended mercy but Judge Patrick Devlin sentenced Thomas, a warehouseman, to die by hanging.

"I have no power to grant or withhold mercy in this case," he said.

Thomas had fought to avoid trial on the murder charge. His counsel argued that it was a cardinal principle of law that a man could not be tried and punished twice for the same offence.

The case was near collapse when he heard the death verdict. Earlier he had wept in the witness box as he declared: "I loved my wife too much to want to do her any harm."—Associated Press.

PI UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT

Manila, July 15.

Mr. L .R. Uguinal Do Aguinalda, Filipino merchant prince who heads the vast Aguinalda interests, has given an endowment of $10,000 to the State University of the Philippines.

The purpose of the award is for the development of scholarships in the field of history.—Reuter.

PRAGUE REPLIES TO DECREE BY VATICAN

Prague, July 15.

The Czech Minister of Justice, Alexej Cepica, said today that anybody attempting to enforce the Vatican order for the excommunication of Communists here would be charged with treason against Czechoslovakia.

The Minister of Information, Vaclav Kopecky, in another strong Government attack, accused the Church of supporting Fascism and the "bloody dictatorship" of Generalissimo Franco of Spain. Cepica spoke to the presidium of the Central Action Committees.

In the first major Government pronouncement since the Vatican decree excommunicating Communists, Cepica said that the Vatican is the "eternal enemy" of democratic states.

In his speech, the Minister accused Archbishop Josef Beran of "expanded illegal connections with foreign enemies under the veil of purely religious activities."

He added: "The Vatican and reactionary clergy remain the eternal enemies of the people's democratic state and its people."

Cepica is the son-in-law of President Klement Gottwald and also secretary-general of the Central Action Committee.

"The high clergy, led by the Prague Archbishop Beran, never did sincerely support the constructive efforts of our people," he charged.

"But when the chance of joining the people's enemies, both at home and abroad, occurred, there was no lack of eagerness and enthusiasm. In vain, the high reactionary clergy have been trying to hide or veil its basic hostility towards our people.

Control Bill

"Today our working people will not let themselves be deceived by the treacherous double face of the high clergy even if it does speak about love to the country."

The Justice Minister made his speech soon after an official news agency despatch revealed Government plans for controlling the Catholic Church in Czechoslovakia.

A bill drafted for the next session of Parliament and reported by the official agency would provide:

1. The State will hold the right to approve or disapprove all Church appointments, from Archbishops down to Army chaplains.
2. The state will pay all priests fixed annual salaries.
3. No priest will be paid if he has been sentenced by a civil court or if he is not "nationally reliable."

Church Property

4. Churches will be required to inventory all property and will be forbidden to sell or transfer property without approval.
5. Churches will be required to operate on budgets presented annually in advance.
6. Administrative supervision for the above powers will be vested in the Ministry of Education.

The bill will be discussed by the Church section of the Central Action Committee, the official agency report said, and will be presented to Parliament after the summer adjournment.

"Holy Alliance"

In Rome, the Italian Communists today described the Vatican decree excommunicating Communists and Communist sympathisers as a step toward a 20th Century Holy Alliance.

Palmiro Togliatti, Italy's No. 1 Communist, is expected to expound the official Party line in a speech on Sunday at the Communist Party Day observance.

Meanwhile, the decree reverberated in Parliament. A Communist deputy said: "The Holy Alliance fought against the French Revolution and the principles which came from it.

"Now the Vatican, with this single step, seeks to weld anti-Communist nations into a new Holy Alliance for a crusade against the revolutionary ideals of Communism."

The Holy Alliance was a declaration signed on September 26, 1815, by Alexander I, Emperor of Austria, and Frederick William III, King of Prussia. All sovereigns were invited to sign except the Pope and the Ottoman Sultan. The initiative came from the Russian Emperor. It became an alliance which ruled Europe without a major war for nearly a century.

Deputy Alberto Consiglio said today that he will bring the Vatican decree before Parliament "because it may mean the beginning of a true and proper holy war."—United Press.

Dynamite Explosion Kills 11

Prume, July 15.

Eleven Germans are known to have been killed and possibly 90 other injured in the explosion of a French occupation force dynamite dump tonight, German police reported.

Thirty of the 90 are seriously injured.

The entire North part of the town was destroyed, police said. Cause of the blast was unknown.

The explosives were reported to be of the type used in construction work.

Pruem is about 45 miles West of Coblenz and near the junction of the German, Belian and Luxembourg borders.

All lights in Pruem were darkened by the blast. Telephone connections were also disrupted but were partially restored later.

Guards at the dump noticed smoke shortly before the blast and gave a warning, which probably averted a greater casualty toll, police said.—Associated Press.

STEEL STRIKE AVERTED

New York, July 15.

The United States Steel Corporation, last organisation to hold out against President Truman's steel strike truce proposal, today accepted the President's terms.

The United States Steel Corporation was the last of the steel industry's giants to bow to President Truman's insistence that they accept his plan for dealing with their labour dispute.

Since the Congress of Industrial Organisations' Steel Workers, with a membership of 1,000,000, had accepted it, the action of the "big three" producers (United States Steel, Republic and Bethlehem) headed off for at least 60 days the strike which was due to start at some plants at midnight on Saturday.

Most of the smaller companies had already agreed to President Truman's proposal—that he appoint a three-member board to investigate the wage and pension dispute and make recommendations for a settlement while work continued for 60 days.

The Steelworkers' Union said that altogether 18 steel firms, representing the bulk of the nation's basic steel production, have now accepted President Truman's 60-day truce.—Associated Press.

Libyan Emir In London

London, July 15.

Emir Sayyid Idris El Sonussi, head of the recently proclaimed Cyrennican Government, arrived in London tonight for talks with the British Government about the establishment of his Administration.

The Emir, who wore traditional dress, was met by Mr. George Clutton, head of the African Department of the Foreign Office.

The Emir's talks will deal with practical measures for the implementation of the recent British proclamation.

Diplomatic observers think that one question requiring careful consideration will be the delimitation of powers between the Cyrennican and British authorities in view of the Senussi Arabs' previous claims to a say in the affairs of Libya as a whole.—Reuter.

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FIRESIDE ECHOES

CHINESE MEDICINE MIRACLES

By WM. M.S. BRAND

The infantile mortality rate in the province of Fukien always has been exceedingly high, mainly due to lack of personal and community hygience. The streets are the common playground for children and, even to this day, they are used as the community slop-pail and garbage dump. It is estimated that 60 per cent of the children never reach maturity, due to tetanus, measles and small-pox in infancy, with digestive disturbances and bronchial ailments in later life. Choked sewers and ditches are left to rot and latrines are left uncovered.

Night soil watered with urine is used to fertilise the fields of vegetables to be found round any town or village making dangerous the time-honoured custom of eating greens parboiled or lightly fried in peanut oil. The provincial diet is rice with fish and vegetables. North Fukien is blest with an abundance of these things, in addition to a large variety of fruits, particularly of the citrean order. In fact, the province has never known a famine in its history, yet it is lack of proper food that has brought about the enormous amount of tuberculose and other wasting diseases, such as anaemia and beri-beri.

General poverty too is a big factor, but do not judge the provincial by the clothes he wears. The meat and fish-markets take no precautions against flies at any time of the year. Kitchen are usually to be found adjoining latrines. There is no supervision by the authorities over any of these matters. Thus it has been for centuries and thus it continues, despite all effort on the part of missionaries and others to bring home to the people the fundamental blessings of cleanliness of the body, daily habits, and of the home in addition to public sanitation in general.

No wonder then when an epidemic strikes it sweeps all before it. It took an epidemic of cholera in Foochow during 1939 to bring the lesson home both to the authorities as well as the population. The disease was brought to Foochow in that year in water-melons from the North. At first it struck the coolie class who were dropping like nine-pins with their loads in the streets. It spread throughout the province. Fifteen thousand deaths were reported in Foochow City and environs alone at that time.

The populace of Foochow were frantic, believing it was the visitation of an enraged god. They set to to appease that god, but not knowing exactly which it might be all the idols from all the guilds and shrines were paraded round the streets, with much fire-crackering, drumming and cymballing, throughout the nights and days until the epidemic abated.

Steady Exchange

The province of Fukien supplies the Chinese Pharmacopoeia with a large number of animal, vegetable and mineral items—especially vegetable. As in most provincial capitals, long-established and very wealthy medicine shops exist in Foochow with connections in North China, Korea and Japan. A steady exchange of such items is thus maintained.

For instance, fossil dinosaur eggs from the province of Shansi and hinterland were possessed by these Foochow merchants many, many years before Roy Chapman Andrews advertised them to the world in general; rare and remarkably-formed ginseng roots from Korea; special seaweeds and volcanic minerals from Japan; bear's gall from Nepal and rhinoceros gall from the Calcutta Zoo; musk from the Thibetan border; hydnocarpus beans from Siam; spices from India and Ceylon; edible bird's-nests from Indo-China; tiger bones and dried tendons from Manchuria, to mention but a few items of the fantastic collection any one of these shops possess.

With the introduction of Western medicine (1847) the number of pharmacies in Foochow is simply amazing. Prior to the late Pacific War the number of such establishments was in the neighbourhood of four score. These handled every conceivable patent medicine, foreign as well as Chinese, genuine as well as imitation. It mattered little if some of the latter contained harmful drugs and derivatives. As long as they were brightly packaged and stated somewhere in the formula the ingredient sought, it was considered much cheaper than engaging the services of a doctor or sending the patient to a hospital.

In this manner deaths were numerous through friends of the stricken prescribing these deadly patents. During the past five years the number of native pharmacies in the port has not diminished, but the amount of medicines in general, especially in the shape of tablets and injections, on sale in practically every store, has quadrupled with identically the same unhappy results. It is now a case of prescribing an injection for practically everything. Penicillin, for instance, will command any price and is being administered without any heed as to effective dosage. There is always somebody's daughter, a nurse in one of the hospitals, ready to oblige a friend with the requisite needle and the administration.

Depend On Hearsay

There are vast number of Occidentals who scorn Chinese medicines and purely Chinese methods of medical treatment. Such people, however, ride on the wave of hear-say. If they would study the subject they would be surprised to learn that at about the beginning of the Christian era, in the Han dynasty, the Chinese knew that certain herbs, prepared in a certain manner, gave instant relief.

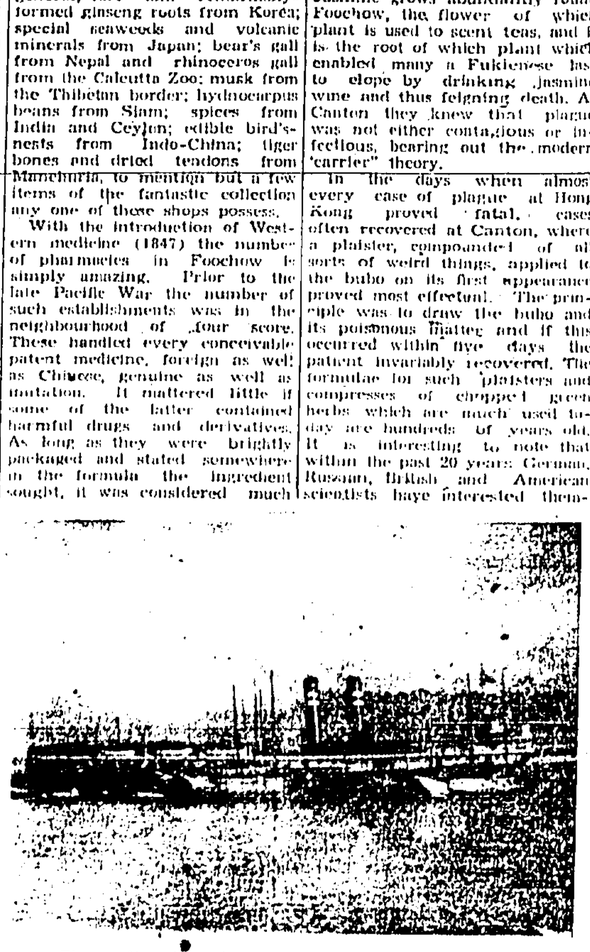
About 150-200 A.D. a learned philosopher, Chang Chung-king by name, is accredited with an essay on typhoid fever that became a medical classic. Even before the Han dynasty the art of massage was known. In the third century B.C., narcotic wines were used to produce anaesthesia. One of the drugs so used was jasmine root, an inch or so of which extracted with spirits produced unconsciousness from 12 to 18 hours. Jasmine grows abundantly round Foochow, the flower of which plant is used to scent teas, and it is the root of which plant which enabled many a Fukienese lass to elope by drinking jasmine wine and thus feigning death. At Canton they knew that plague was not either contagious or infectious, bearing out the modern "carrier" theory.

In the days when almost every case of plague at Hong Kong proved fatal, cases often recovered at Canton, where a plaister, compounded of all sorts of weird things, applied to the bubo on its first appearance proved most effectual. The principle was to draw the bubo and its poisonous matter and if this occurred within five days the patient invariably recovered. The formulae for such plasters and compresses of chopped green herbs which are much used today are hundreds of years old. It is interesting to note that within the past 20 years German, Russian, British and American scientists have interested themselves in roots and herbs to be found only in the regions of the Middle and Far East and which have been listed in the Chinese Pharmacopoeia since time immemorial.

Ancient Methods

Be the efficaciousness of these ancient methods as they may, for the benefit of scoffers and the interest of the medical profession, I will cite the case of my own father, who in 1904, whilst giving me a ride on his favourite pony, noted for its docility, was kicked on the inner shin of the right leg just about boot-level as the pony shied at a piece of paper.

Luckily it was a glancing blow: but this unfortunate accident ultimately led to paralysis of the entire right side of the body: face, arm, and leg. An ulcer appeared on the shin which baffled every treatment of every doctor that it was possible to contact. Now, there was in the port an independent missionary lady by the name of Miss Louise Crumpe, who came out to China in 1897.



The ss. Ningshin (San Peh Co.). Plying between Foochow & Shanghai (1925) lying at Pagoda anchorage under the Command of Captain Torgensen.

She had done a good turn to a local Chinese family in return for which she had been presented with the original formula for one of the aforementioned sticky plaisters: a priceless document and family heirloom, such as is seldom, if ever, parted with. Hearing some five years later that my father's leg had not yet healed she addressed him a lengthy epistle—a truly Christian homily, even to the extent of touching on the evils of alcohol—concluding with enclosing the formula referred to, feeling that she would have no use for it in her lifetime and suggesting that Faith (even in the plaister) was a mighty power capable, if rightly applied, in bringing mountains to Mahomeds. Father put the letter and enclosure in his safe and forgot all about it.

Meantime Miss Crumpe passed away and the ulcer grew bigger and deeper it was not until 1917, three years after my father had been cured of his paralysis by a Cantonese doctor who employed nothing else but pure gold needles, that my father remembered Miss Crumpe's letter and decided to have the plaister formula made up. One of the chief ingredients was a large pearl which had to be finely powdered.

The resultant paste was highly aromatic, black and horribly sticky. This was smeared on a square of oiled silk. The instructions for applying the plaister were very clear: it was not to be wetted with water and was to be let alone for 21 days, when it would drop off by itself exposing the wound completely healed. The ingredients cost then about Mex. $400, the pearl accounting for $75. The plaister was duly applied and on the twenty-first morning the edges curled up and a little later the whole thing dropped off revealing the ulcer completely healed with a covering of healthy new skin!

In the excitement of this discovery it was quite overlooked to recover the formula from the medicine shop and when application was made for its return the proprietor informed the Compradore it was returned when the plaister was delivered. Thus I regret I am unable to give the formula here; but any member of the foreign community of Foochow of that year (1917) who may still be living will assuredly bear witness to the veracity of the foregoing statements.

The paralysis cure was equally amazing. The needles employed were of pure gold, starting with very fine ones the diameter of a toothbrush bristle and about two inches long, continuing in gradually thickening and lengthening sizes until huge darning-needles were used. The muscles of the leg were worked on first, from the buttock down to the calf. When the middle-size needles were being used over this area, the muscles of the arm were treated, from the shoulder to the base of the fingers; but no extra large needles were employed over this area. Lastly the neck muscles were treated in similar manner to the arm. The whole course took about two months.

Never once was blood drawn! Massage was invariably applied when the needles were withdrawn. The Port Doctor and family physician then was Dr. J. Moorhead, who, when he heard my father had resigned himself to heathen practices, gave up his customary weekly visit.

One day the doctor met the Compradore and heard that it was possible for my father to hobble without assistance to the couch to receive this strange treatment, so it was arranged he would call on the 1sat day of the treatment to witness the miracle of healing or otherwise. Father was lying in his birthday suit bristling with darning-needles and quietly reading. In a neatby chair the old Cantonese doctor was having 40 winks. Moorhead entered the room quietly and for some time surveyed the patient before speaking.

He was a skilled surgeon and evidently impressed that the human body could withstand such grotesque puncturing without physical pain or loss of blood. Father noticed his presence and in no uncertain words ordered him to leave the room and get out of the house. Moorhead stood his ground, whereupon father flung his book and automatically rose from the couch still with the needles deeply imbedded in him. He advanced on Moorhead and then it dawned on him he could walk! The reunion of both men is better left to the imagination.

The old Chinese doctor had risen and was smiling behind his enormous horn-rimmed spectacles. No cure—no pay—was his motto. Here was another cure for which he would receive good payment and another written recommendation to place with his collection of testimonials: the first from a fan kwae too.

As to the use of herbal remedies as against the knife, I was cured of ingrowing piles in 1926 by a famous Chinese doctor from Peking who was on a visit to Foochow. This was also on a 'no cure—no pay' basis. Eighteen days was the time limit. The treatment was excruciatingly painful for the first week, as the rectal muscles had to be prolapsed at the start to treat the affected parts. On the eighteenth morning the cauterised parts were evacuated with the stool. I have been free of this distressing complaint since. Amongst this doctor's testimonials were letters from such notable people as Li Hung-chang, Chiang Yung, Wu Pei-fu, and a host of Shanghai businessmen. The Chinese say that it is easy to catch this complaint if after strenuous exercise one sits on cold and damp stone. A large proportion of the population are sufferers and it may be attributable to the use of rough Chinese paper made from bamboo pulp.

(Continued Next Sunday)

MOTOR TOUR IN CHINA

No. 4- Guests In Changsha

By KATHLEEN HICKLEY

(This is the fourth in a series of articles describing the journey by car from Shanghai into the interior of China. The writer, an Englishwoman, and her husband did not see as much of the interior as they intended, but their tour still makes interesting reading. The Editor).

It's a bit of a shock to the nervous system when your car breaks down on the top of a mountain a hundred kilometres from no-where in the interior of China.

There aren't any telephones to call up the garage, and there is only one public bus a day which might or might not give you a tow. The chances of a stray truck coming along are negligible.

That was our position on the road to Changsha, when the car gave a dying gurgle and stopped.

Fortunately one of our members is an able mechanic, and he was able to trace the trouble to a faulty electrical system.

Even so, it meant two hours steady work in the heat and dust of midday to put it right.

We carried on and reached the outskirts of Changsha, and there we had a delightful surprise. Sitting in a jeep, and waving madly at our car was a real live Englishman, the first we had seen for days, and as we later found out, one of three left in the city.

After the first surprised "Hellos" he carried us off to his house for tea and—supreme touch of civilisation—a hot bath. Then he insisted that we stay the night.

This hospitality shown to travellers on the part of the small white communities in China has been one of the best features of our travel so far.

In comparison, there are so few whites left in the interior that a new person speaking English must be quite a break, but even so, the welcomes are always spontaneous and heart-warming.

After an enormous English-style meal, which we all appreciated the more so as we were on Chinese rations exclusively for days, we took a ride round the city in Matt's jeep.

It was springless, asthmatic, and appeared to have half the engine missing, but it went, which was the great thing.

Changsha is a miniature Broadway. Chief impressions were the bright neon lighting, and open stores full of colourful goods.

I bought some beautiful, hand-embroidered pictures worked on satin for the modest sum of US$ 3.50 each. No doubt the shopkeeper was still making a 100 per cent profit on the deal, but as we had no one with us who spoke the language we could not do very much about it.

However in the cities, even though you may lack a common tongue, it is remarkable what progress you can make by producing a few coins, and going through an elaborate pantomime routine.

Changsha is an interesting place, but does not, I imagine typify Chinese cities. It is fairly clean, well lit, and a colourful.

Most of the streets—all of them ablaze with light since there is plenty of electric power available—are narrow and cobbled.

There is hardly any motor traffic, but night and day they are thronged with picturesquely dressed pedestrians and rickshaws. Unless the driver keeps his hand continually on the horn, progress is impossible.

The buildings are mostly made of brick, two, and sometimes three storeys high. Festoons of red and blue banners with bold gilt Chinese characters on them stretch from wall to wall, all adding vivid touches of colour to the streets.

Changsha is the most attractive city we have come across so far and we said goodbye to it—and to Matt, our host—the following morning with real regret.

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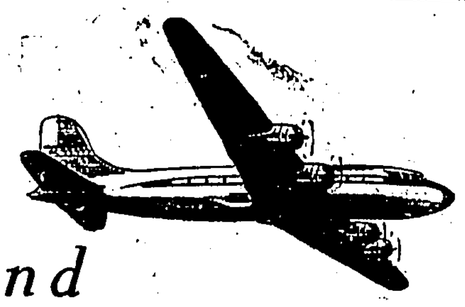

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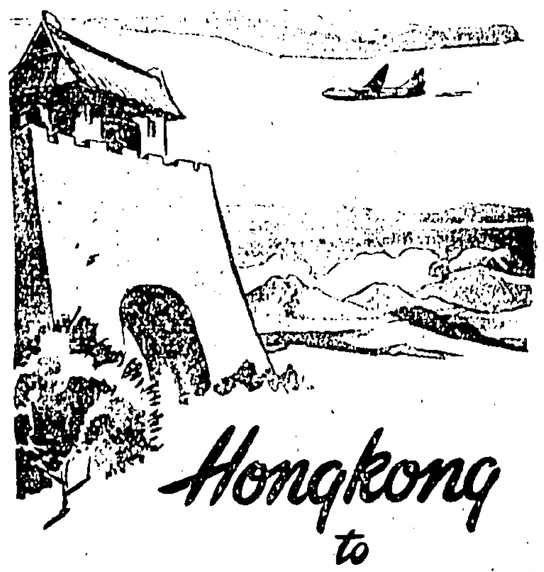

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MARRIAGE

GARCIA—ANTONIO. The marriage of Elfrida, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Alex Garcia and Joe, eldest son of Mrs. Sarah R. Antonio and the late Mr. Ernesto Antonio, will take place at St. Margaret's Church on Sunday, 31st July 1949, 5.00 p.m. A reception will be held thereafter at Club Lusitano. No invitation cards are being issued. All relatives and friends are cordially invited.

HOTEL PROBLEMS

In the past week we have published a considerable amount of correspondence from permanent residents complaining about the workings of the Hotels Ordinance, and the behaviour of managements since its passing.

The present Quartering Authority has come in for undiluted criticism. In this context we may be accused of permitting sniping at a public department which cannot answer back, but the comment would be far from the mark. The officer in charge is certainly not at liberty to reply in scathing terms by return of post, but nothing stops him from drafting a full explanation of the official position, and having it approved by his superiors. Or the Public Relations Office could be asked to take the matter up, and make a full statement to the Press.

That this has not been done is significant. Our own feeling is that the criticism is justified. The story of the semi-control of hotel rates typifies one of the least pleasing aspects of Hong Kong, and has resulted, as might have been expected, in the extreme but unpublicised gratification of owners and the dissatisfaction of residents.

It is perhaps typical of local apathy that the association formed to protect the interests of those obliged to live in hotels because of the housing shortage should so soon have fallen into disuse. There may, however, have been some justification for the commonly-held attitude that it is a waste of time to fight, especially in view of the formation of our government.

The ordinance as eventually framed permits enormous, almost punitive rents, when the case of a permanent guest is considered, but even so certain companies are charging the maximum permitted —plus ridiculous extras such as "use of fan"—for accommodation that is not at all as specified. The Quartering Authority may well plead shortage of staff as excuse for not investigating all complaints, but surely it is not impossible to make a test case of say half a dozen?

Much as we may dislike controls, they are sometimes inevitable, and the case of the hotels was an obvious example. Before an impartial tribunal, they would find it extremely difficult to justify their prices. Their rents, amusingly enough, are controlled at only 50 per cent above what they were before the war. The other major outgoing expense, wages, is admittedly very much higher, but this item is very much less in hotels than in any other business, because of the tipping system, and does not begin to compare with Britain. Furnishings and replacements are undoubtedly several times higher than in 1941, but the overall picture gives no clue to charges made —until one looks at the demand.

It should be remembered that a transient guest expects to pay fairly highly for an hotel room, as he knows it may be empty half the month. This was normal before the war, when flats and houses were available for any citizen who wanted them. Now the local hotels are packed the year round, there is little loss through empty rooms, yet tariffs are several times higher than they were.

Despite that, the ordinance was passed, but its terms are not being respected by all managements. The time has come for the Quartering Authority to take some action about the increasing dissatisfaction.

FUTURE OF BRITAIN

By DAVID ECCLES, MP

I expect that millions of people in Britain would say that their job has been more secure during the past four years than ever before. Probably they have earned more money than ever they did before the war.

How then can anyone bring home to them that their job and their money are in greater danger than at any time since they left school?

You read of the prices of British Government securities tumbling on the Stock Exchange.

You hear of Sir Stafford Cripps rushing about in aeroplanes and saying "No" to every foreign statesman he meets; you ask why the Chancellors of the Dominions have been hurriedly invited to London, and why the Secretary of the United States Treasury is coming too.

The Government do not tell you clearly what is behind all these feverish moves.

I am going to start by giving you my conclusion.

Great Britain is in trouble because more and more foreigners who sell to us are jibbing at using the pounds they earn here to buy British goods. Why? Because we are not able to offer them what they want to buy at competitive prices.

Nothing that the statesmen have fixed up in Paris is going to cure this trouble. The British people have to cure it themselves.

Emergency Crept Up

This is not a sudden emergency. It has been coming upon us for years.

When the war ended our factories were producing guns and not the things our old customers wanted. We needed help from America to give us a breathing-space in which to rebuild our capacity to pay our way in the world.

At the time I thought that no Government could have done without the American Loan, but I never dreamed it would be frittered away in 18 months. It just disappeared down the drain, and then came the crisis of 1947.

Marshall Aid gave us a second chance to work up to a point where exports paid for essential imports. This time at least Sir Stafford Cripps told us what his plan was, and the country approved his plan.

He announced two big decisions. First, he said that the British gold reserves would not be allowed to fall below the level to which they had shrunk at the time he became Chancellor.

This was wise, for our reserves are the reserves of the whole sterling area. Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the Colonies, and half a dozen other nations look to London to keep the pound's last line of defence intact.

Imports Payment

But, of course, if Sir Stafford was to keep the reserves intact he had to find other means to pay for our imports.

So his second decision was to restrict imports to a level at which the gap between them and what we could earn by our own efforts was small enough to be filled by Marshall Aid.

The first clue to the present crisis is that it is a gold-reserve crisis. Sir Stafford is being forced to break his momentous decision to keep the reserves intact. The gold is running out. That is why the Dominion Chancellors are hurrying to London.

The failure to find ways of paying for imports into this country threatens the stability of their currencies because they share with our pound the same last-ditch reserves.

It is also true that the Empire's earnings of dollars will fall by many millions following the recent slide in the prices of metals, cocoa, and rubber. This fall increases the strain on the reserves in London.

The sterling family are all in this together.

But the brutal fact remains that by far the biggest and most alarming menace comes from the growing unwillingness of the rest of the world to use the sterling they earn to buy goods from the United Kingdom. The Belgians and the others want to take their pounds away, convert them into other currencies, and so get better value for their money.

The Chancellor must, at this moment, be making up his mind whether to lose gold or cut imports. We cannot allow him to do either.

Stripped of our reserves, the prestige and value of the pound will collapse; starved of our imports we shall go hungry and unemployed.

This is a crisis here and now.

In the months ahead there is only one way to keep our heads above water: we must offer more and better value for the food and raw materials which have to be imported from overseas.

Hard Sacrifices

How can we do this? We are in no position to put things right easily or without accepting some hard sacrifices.

British industry cannot immediately bring expenses down and produce more largely because it is loaded with charges, taxes, and nationalisation costs which our competitors do not have to bear.

Further we are twice hit by the Government's bulk-buying policy. Many of their long-term contracts were made before world prices began to fall, so that now we find our imports bill is bigger than it should be.

As a result our manufacturers have to pay more for their raw materials than their rivals whose suppliers deal at the falling world prices. We have, for the time being, handicapped ourselves out of the race.

Therefore let us face the truth that in the immediate future if we are to give better value for money it means less for us to consume at home.

We shall have to divert more of our current output to pay for imports. Everybody's standard of life will go down. But it need not stay down.

We can climb up again: provided we have the resolution to do the right things now.

Lighter Burden

Genuine recovery calls for a much lighter burden on industry's back, and a fair distribution of tax reliefs in proportion to work done in expanding the national income, and I do not forget the essential work of saving.

No one should be pessimistic about the months ahead.

The time to be gloomy is when the British people are in the dark about what is really going on. That period of living in blinkers is almost over. Soon everyone will see that Sir Stafford cannot stop the drain on our gold reserves.

The danger of bankruptcy will wake us out of our dream and we shall, as always in the past, rise to the height of the events and give the world one more occasion to admire the British character.

CANADA MAKES HER CHOICE

By SCRUTATOR

A student of the British Press, on the morrow of its probing by the Royal Commission, might learn something from its treatment last week of the Canadian election result.

Most of the popular papers noticed it briefly or not at all. The almost simultaneous General Election in Belgium was given much prominence. Was it really fancied that Belgium is a more important country than Canada? No. But what our popular Press had to reckon with was popular interest, not importance.

On the Belgian result there hinged, or might hinge, the fate of a picturesque individual, King Leopold. And the popular reader is far more interested in picturesque individuals than in the degrees of importance attaching to events. Blame the demand, not the supply.

Yet at any level of serious thinking Canada's destiny is now part of the world's. Though not officially classed as a Great Power, she is a greater Power than some that have been.

Her war production during the late war was only exceeded by America's. Germany and our own; while her soldiers took a notable part in the fighting on the soil of Europe.

Moreover, the development of trans-polar flight has forced her almost suddenly into a front place in the strategy of the New World. For the North Atlantic Pact her adhesion was almost as essential as that of the United States.

Since 1921

The present head of the Canadian Government, Mr. St. Laurent, has but recently taken Mr. Mackenzie King's place as leader of the Liberal Party and Prime Minister of Canada. Mr. King had since 1921 been in power for all but two intervals—one of three months, the other of five years.

Like Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whose political heir he was he had ruled with the other countries of the Commonwealth had to be adjusted to the social conservatism and national isolationism prevalent among his French supporters.

It is this system which Mr. St. Laurent has in his turn inherited and for which at last week's General Election he has scored the greatest success yet recorded. It is a remarkable feat under several heads—first, because he is not only a new leader, but a comparatively young man, who entered politics only a few years ago; secondly, because the tendency of electorates after a great war to reject the Government under which war was made might be expected even after this interval to assert itself; and thirdly, because in the Quebec province the more isolationist elements had formed an organisation directly hostile to the Government. Nevertheless Mr. St.Laurent won 193 out of the 262 seats in the Canadian House of Commons, and except for Alberta (which remained faithful to its local "Social Credit" leaders) he carried every province. Even so he remains dependent on Quebec; for if the 68 Quebec Liberals voted against him, he would be in a minority of 10.

A Serious Error

How was this brought about? Partly, it would seem, by a serious error of the Conservative Opposition. Under the recent leadership of Mr. Drew, an able Parliamentary debater, they had latterly made a considerable show in the Canadian House of Commons and created in the country an impression that they might win.

But they then took a fateful step; they allied themselves for electoral purposes to the dissident isolationists of Quebec. The alliance was justified by its authors on the ground that both sides stood for local rights. But the mass of Canadians, it would seem, disagreed.

Not only did they regard the union of such opposites as shocking in itself—somewhat as in English history the coalition of Fox and North was regarded —but even ordinary supporters of the Conservatives were inclined to think that if Quebec were still to dominate, it would be better that it should be the Quebec allied to Mr. St. Laurent than the Quebec allied to Mr. Drew.

And so the very fact that Mr. Drew had caused the public to think that he might win turned against him. In order to bar out his isolationist associates there was a tidal wave of popular feeling, which not only swept the Conservatives away, but also bore hardly on other parties, whose voters were impelled to rally to the Liberals as the only party that would keep Quebec isolationism in its place.

Of the 69 seats not won by the Government, only 42 fell to the Conservatives, the rest going to "Splinter parties" and Independents, with a small group of 12 elected by the Socialist "Co-operative Commonwealth Federation."

One-sided Victory

Every student of Parliamentary institutions of the British type will see some of the drawbacks to such a one-sided victory. A fairly strong Opposition is essential to their best working, and here the Opposition will be too nearly negligible.

We experienced something similar in Great Britain after the landslide in 1931. But for the Canadian Conservative party there is another danger to beware of—the danger that it may lose altogether its historic position as one of the two great parties in a two-party system. The fate of the Liberal Party in Great Britain should warn it.

True, the C.C.F. is still but a small cloud in the political sky. But so was the Labour Party before the Asquith-Lloyd George rupture. It would not take many errors as grave as the pact with the Quebec isolationists to swing the balance against the Canadian Conservatives — perhaps irretrievably.

Meanwhile we in Great Britain and throughout the Commonwealth may note with satisfaction that the conduct of Canadian affairs during the life of the newly-elected Parliament will rest in firm and capable hands. There is a proverb that under old oak-trees acorns do not grow, and certainly where a party has been dominated by a great leader for decades, as the Canadian Liberal was by Mr. Mackenzie King, it is the exception to find at once a ready-made successor so convincing all round as Mr. St. Laurent has already been proved.

In Commonwealth and international matters he has shown himself well aware of the new horizons that are opening up before the great Dominion and the growing part which she must expect to fill in the supreme councils of mankind.

At the same time the successor of Mr. Mackenzie King represents continuity. That amid the long perplexities which follow a great war is, other things being equal, a distinct advantage, though one which it is very rare for democratic electorates to allow their countries to enjoy. But few nations seem more assured of a great future than the Canadian.

John Bull Not So Popular

By JOHN DRUMMOND

Britain's popularity in New York is at the lowest point since the transatlantic back-stabbing over Palestine.

The big beef he is about the Argentine meat deal. Britons meagre rations are making steak-eating New Yorkers behave quite irrationally.

Bludgeoned daily by hysterical headlines about Communist infiltration into the higher echelons of their Government, scared by Russian spy stories, worried by falling employment, exhausted by day after day of humidity and dripping heat, most Americans have suddenly made John Bull their temper-relieving Aunt Sally. The kicks are all aimed at the seat of the shabby utility pants patched with the Union Jack.

Wild talk in Washington about "putting those Limeys in their places," by slashing Marshall plan aid is bringing friendly echoes from across the nation.

A Wrong Steer

Americans think they have been given a wrong steer because Britain is buying Argentine bulls with ECA dollars! And the U.S. business interests affected by the South-of-the-border bargaining are pouring money and lobbyists into Washington to break up the deal.

Congressional convincers have one strong line of attack. They point to failure in the Philippines. America has poured billions of dollars into Europe since the end of the war—millions into the Pacific Islands since independence was granted three years ago. And the baby Marshall plan is definitely flooping, mainly because of the nationalisation projects of the Philippine Government.

Britain may irritate many New Yorkers, but Rex Harrison can't wait for his first sight of the new bright lights of Piccadilly. He and Lilli Palmer are catching the first plane from New York after the final curtain comes down on his smash Broadway hit, "Anne of the Thousand Days."

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In spite of the roaring air-conditioning unit in his tiny dressing-room, the world's highest paid British star (official income £55,000 a year) was mopping perspiration from his brow when Geoffrey Barker went backstage.

His plans?: "I'm going to see my mother in Liverpool and my young son, then plan my future in English plays and films," he said, picking off parts of the beard he wears as Henry VII.

"I have to return in the autumn when the show reopens, and perhaps take it on tour. But when that's over I am free to return to Europe for keeps."

Harrison is keeping himself free of any Hollywood longterm contracts. "What I want to do chiefly is another play in the West End," he said. "I haven't been there since 1940 when I played in 'No Time for Comedy' before joining the RAF."

His other objectives?: Henley Regatta, the last two Test matches against New Zealand, a trip to Italy—then a future in British films and on the London stage.

Kay Murray has found another star. He doesn't receive any salary, but he is rapidly becoming the Punch and Judy show of America. Howdy Doody, engaging little television puppet, is practically a religion with U.S. children.

Watching from behind the television cameras in the National Broadcasting Company's studio, Kay Murray caught some pretty broad grins being exchanged by the cameramen. The group of sponsors in a corner was also looking particularly happy.

Howdy Doody, with his originator, Bob Smith; Clarabel, the silent clown, who communicates with others by honking a horn; Mr. Bluster, who combines the characteristics of Colonel Blimp and a choleric Southern gentleman, and the Inspector, an unseen character, whose life is complicated by searching for such things as a banana-tree that grows ready-sliced bananas, romps through a half-hour programme five days a week.

About 30 youngsters crowd the "Peanut Gallery" at every show, while hundreds are turned away. All mothers are summarily banished to a viewing studio on an upper floor.

Howdy's Friends

There is a variety of gadgets in Howdy Doody's world, such as the Scopedoodle for showing children's films; the Lollapaloosa, a sort of ticker-tape machine which lights up and produces messages from a slot; and the Flubadub, a peculiar creature with a giraffe's head, the body of a dachshund and webbed feet.

Howdy receives an enormous fan mail, containing such items as: "Dear Howdy: I don't like going to bed so early. Please speak to my mother," and: "My teacher isn't fair to me at school. Will you please see I get another teacher."

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Rodney Campbell wasn't smiling when he parked a friend's Studebaker in a New York high school driveway at the week-end and produced a learner driving permit, car registration certificate, allen's registration certificate and age certificate. He was sure the tough-looking official who cast a doubtful eye over his credentials had read Harry S. Truman's wisecrack that anyone could walk out of a Missouri asylum and pass the U.S. driving test.

Campbell perspired freely when the inspector in turn produced a list of 30 formidable questions. Examples: Can your headlights pick up a man 625 feet ahead? Can you stop your car within 75 feet if you are travelling at 40 m.p.h.? How far behind must your taillight be visible? Do you ever wear glasses?

Campbell's driving experience being limited to getting a heavy tractor convoy marooned in a Punjab bazaar and a few brisk basic training runs around Sussex arterial roads, he reports that the test was technically easy but psychologically difficult.

He had to park in heavy traffic while the inspector droned: "4,705 accidents to cars parking last year." He had to pass several lorries. . . . "There were 2,654 accidents to passing cars last year." He had to drive across some busy crossroads. . . . "There were 6,733 accidents at crossroads last year."

At this point the demoralised Campbell zoomed across a red light at 30 m.p.h. braked sharply, while the inspector wagged a finger and said: "Serious violation. . . . I'll let you know by mail."* *He passed.

In old Carolina

Some time ago now the Governor of South Carolina was endeavouring to recover a runaway slave from the Governor of North Carolina. The slave, however, was protected by powerful friends and negotiations could not have gone slower in Moscow.

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NEED FOR SETTLEMENT

London, July 15.

The steady deterioration in the London dock strike situation during the week, and slight hopes of an early solution held out in a statement to Parliament by Mr. George Isaacs, the Labour Minister, are causing grave disquiet in Government and other official quarters.

Only once before, in the General Strike of 1926, has a large organised body of workers shown such disregard of the authority of the State when it has been presented in the form of an emergency proclamation.

The need for a speedy settlement was underlined today by reports that New Zealand Workers have struck work in a similar dispute in Auckland.

It is also reported that Italian waterfront workers have expressed solidarity with the London dockers and, according to a Canadian Seamen's Union spokesman, that the World Federation of Trades Unions is likely to concern itself actively with the dispute.

More Servicemen, Army and Royal Air Force—were drafted into the Port of London today, the 19th day of the dock stoppage now involving 14,419 dockers.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, told the House of Commons that behind-the-scenes talks during the past two days have failed to find a solution of the dispute.

With the number of idle dockers at its highest since a state of emergency was proclaimed at midnight on Monday, R.A.F. men drafted into the Port to reinforce troops already handling cargoes brought the Service force up to 6,000.

For the first time they loaded vital export cargoes as well as discharging perishable foodstuffs.

The Servicemen worked on 46 ships in an effort to relieve congestion in the Port.

Sixty-six other vessels are lying untouched and six others are undermanned.

Statement In Commons

In his House of Commons statement Mr Isaacs gave a full account of the recent talks between union represenatives, the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. D. Wilgress, and Ministry of Labour officials.

Leaders of two of the unions concerned in the dispute—the Stevedores' and the Lightermen's—asked the Ministry of Labour last Wednesday to arrange for them to meet Mr. Wilgress, Mr. Isaacs stated.

They wanted a full account of the agreement between the Canadian Pacific Railroad and the Canadian Seamen's Union crews on strike there. An allegation by Canadian seamen that this agreement had been violated led directly to the present stoppage in the Port of London 19 days ago.

Mr. Isaacs explained that the two British unions are concerned about the terms of the agreement covering the return of Canadian seamen to their home ports. What hpapens afer they arrived back in Canada is not regarded as the concern of the London dockers, the Union leaders had had said.

Proposal Rejected

If they were satisfied on these points, Mr. Isaacs added, the Union leaders had proposed to tell the Canadian seamen that they had received from the British workers the maximum amount of support they could expect and that they should now do the decent thing and go back to Canada.

"If the Canadian seamen would not follow this course, the Executive proposed to tell their members that the time had arrived when they must think of their country first and resume normal working."

Mr. Isaacs said he arranged the desired meeting with the High Commissioner. After it had taken place yesterday the Union leaders met members of the Canadian Seamen's Union here.

Then, today, the unions proposed that the Ministry of Labour should try to arrange a meeting between the High Commissioner's representatives and the Canadian seamen, or between the ship-owners and the Canadian seamen, to discuss interpretation of the agreement.

The Ministry of Labour turned down the proposal on the ground that it could not become involved in the Canadian seamen's dispute.

Strike Condemned

In Toronto, Canadian railway unions today cabled the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and Mr. Arthur Deakin, Secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, condemning the Canadian Seamen's Union strike.

They added that the London dockers' stoppage is evidently based on misinformation about the case and Communist propoganda.

The Railway Brotherhood spokesman, Mr. Frank Hall, stated in the cables: "Our unions have for some time declined to be associated in any way with the CSU and we consider the Seafarers' International Union to be more fitted to served the interests of seamen."

Fewer than 300 seamen—most of them seasonal "beachers"—are idle in Montreal, Canada's greatest port as a result of the four-month old strike of the Canadian Seamen's Union, Reuter's correspondent in the port cables.—Reuter.

NEW YORK STOPPAGE OF BUSES

New York, July 15.

More than 1,000,000 New Yorkers hunted for substitute transport today after a lightning strike immobilised buses on 30 routes.

The stoppage began in protest at the suspension of four mechanics of the New York City Omnibus Corporation on Thursday. It spread today to the Fifth Avenue Coach Company.

That brought the total number of busmen affected to 3,300. A long stoppage is forecast.

"We are digging in for a long strike," said Michael Quill, President of the Congress of Industrial Organisations' Transport Workers' Union.

The two companies crippled by the strike carry aoout 1,125,000 passengers daily.

Mr. Quill said that now that the strike is on the Union will insist on its demands over which there has been a deadlock since June 30.—Associated Press.

BORDER REOPENS

Haifa, July 15.

The Israeli-Lebanon frontier at Ras En Nakura was opened today for the first time to permit the entry of the first group of 94 of 300 Iranians.

They are former residents of Palestine who left at the beginning of the war, and are returning to Israel.—Associated Press.

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TORIES TO OUTLINE PLATFORM

London, July 15.

Britain's wartime Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will outline the Conservative (Opposition) Party's policy programme for the next general election in a speech at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, on July 23.

The announcement was made by Mr. Richard Butler, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on policy, at a special meeting of the Central Council of the Conservative and Unionist Associations.

He urged detailed preparation to enable the Party to "win a victory at the next election, which may come at any time, and may perhaps be the most important conflict in the domestic history of our country."—Reuter.

Newsmen's Last Stories

New York, July 14.

Accounts of the tragic fact-finding mission of journalists to Indonesia, now being posthumously published, are finding a feature in the American press and radio to a degree which would not have been possible but for the disaster.

The "Christian Science Monitor," whose foreign editor, Charles Gratke, was a member of the lost mission, published Gratke's survey under a banner-line heading "Indonesia: Natives Stagger As They Shoulder White Man's Burden."

The "Monitor" said that Gratke had cabled the story, the "essence of a month of rugged on-the-scene investigation of one of the world's most complex problems," just prior to his departure on the flight home.

Mr. Gratke epitomised the Indonesian attitude to Dutch rule in these words: "You governed us well, but you governed us."

"The words were those of Amir Sirafuddin," Gratke said, "but the sentiments are the sentiments of Indonesia. That phrase still rings true."

Mr Gratke assesses both sides of the question, the Indonesian demand for "sovereignty first," the Dutch plea for "security," the all-important factor of "good faith."

"Perhaps there can be but one method of healing such a condition," Mr. Gratke said.

"It is to forget much of the past and to move forward."

"Our soil, our labour, is the Indonesian chant", he said. "Our techniques, our vision and enterprise," the Dutch respond.

Mr. Gratke narrates two incidents to sum up: One of individual Indonesian attachment to the Dutch, and the other: "We were talking to one of the most prominent Republican diplomats. We asked him if he would call for Dutch military aid if, in the very last mile, the new nation was unable to hold back Communist infiltration or Soviet arms.

"No," he said, with emphasis. "If we must go under, it might be as well by one means as another."—Reuter.

SELZNICKS ON HONEYMOON

Cannes, July 16.

The film producer, David Selznick, brought Jennifer Jones, his bride of one day, back to the French Riviera today for a short honeymoon.

The couple returned on the same yacht which had carried them to Italy for the unannounced but long-expected marriage.

Mr. Selznick said that contrary to reports from Italy, only one marriage cermony had been performed. That was in the City Hall at Genoa.—Associated Press.

A Limited State Of Emergency Declared

Sydney, July 15.

A limited state of emergency was proclaimed in Victoria today to enable volunteers to unload coal from India from the 7,000-ton British-manned Canadian collier, Haligonian Duke.

Mr. Lawrence Sharkey, General Secretary of the Australian Communist Party, today denied in the Federal Arbitration Court that Communists are directing the strike.

The Communist Party is charged with contempt of Court for refusing to hand over A£1,000 alleged to have been withdrawn from the bank to aid the striking miners.

Four miners' officials were fined A£100 each in the Federal Arbitration Court here today.

The officials have refused to pay inho Court a total of A£8,000 which they are said to have withdrawn from banks to help the strike.

It was earlier reported today that some 400 police are guarding strategic points at Maitland, Newcastle, to prevent attempted sabotage when the authorities begin moving 20,000 tons of coal in trucks to Sydney.

A Miners' Federation spokesman said that the Union might carry out its threat to withdraw safety men from the coalfields.

"If the Government has no scruples in this fight, we will have no scruples about withdrawing the safety men," he said.

Coal By Train

Twenty-four trains carrying about 8,000 tons of coal from Northern New South Wales pitheads arrived at Newcastle tonight on the way to Sydney.

The coal, which has been standing idle in trucks since the strike began on June 27, is urgently needed to maintain State gas supplies but a Committee of the Management of the Gas Employees' Union today said that it has "advised" members not to handle the coal.

At the same time the New South Wales Industrial Commission said the refusal of the Seamen's Union to man the colliers which normally bring coal from Newcastle to Sydney bears the hallmarks of an unlawful conspiracy.

It decided to refer the case to the Commonwealth and State Attorney Generals.—Reuter.

SEVEN YEARS FOR POLICEMAN

Ipoh, July 15.

A British police sergeant, George Frederick Ewin, of London, England, was today sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment for the manslaughter of a five-year old Chinese girl while she slept.

Ewing the girl as she slept in a hut.

Charged with murder by shooting near Ipoh on June 8, he was convicted of manslaughter.

Ewin said that he was searching a squatter area on June 8. He was told six bandits had run into two huts and fired "to flush them out."

Inside one hut, he fired at "something lying in bed in a dark room."—Reuter.

CALL BY MINERS' COUNCIL

Sydney, July 15.

The combined Australian Mining Unions' Council today called for a round-table conference of all parties to discuss the coal strike which has paralysed Australian industry and thrown 500,000 out of work.

In a resolution the Council declared its willingness "to attend any such conference arranged to provide a basis for the satisfaction of our claims."

The conference would be attended by the Mining Unions' Council, the Australian Council of Trade Unions and the Commonwealth and New South Wales Governments.

Today's move follows the rejection by the mining unions of a settlement on the terms suggested by the Council of Trade Unions.

Some 400 police are today guarding strategic points at Maitland, Newcastle, to prevent attempted sabotage when the authorities begin moving 20,000 tons of coal in lorries to Sydney.—Reuter.

Cypriot Call For Opposition

Nicosia, July 15.

The Cyprus Holy Synod, the governing body of Cyprus, today published a proclamation inviting Cypriot Greeks to reject any constitutional proposals which the new Governor, Sir Andrew Wright, may bring with him on his arrival next month.

The proclamation said: "These constitutional proposals aim at prolonging Cypriots' slavery and remind the people of Cyprus of their basic national claim—union with Greece."

Sir Andrew Wright was appointed Governor of Cyprus in May, 1949, after the resignation of Lord Winster, when the opposition of the Cypriots caused the failure of his attempts to frame a new Constitution for the island.

On Lord Winster's arrival, the Holy Synod had called upon Cypriots to resist all attempts to achieve co-operation with the British Government.—Reuter.

Washington, July 15.

The United States Senate today agreed to take a vote on the North Atlantic pact next Thursday.—Reuter.

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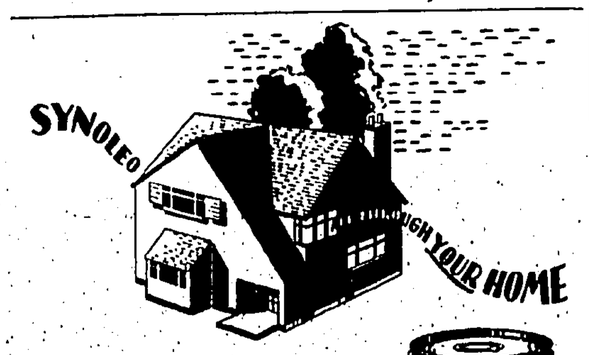

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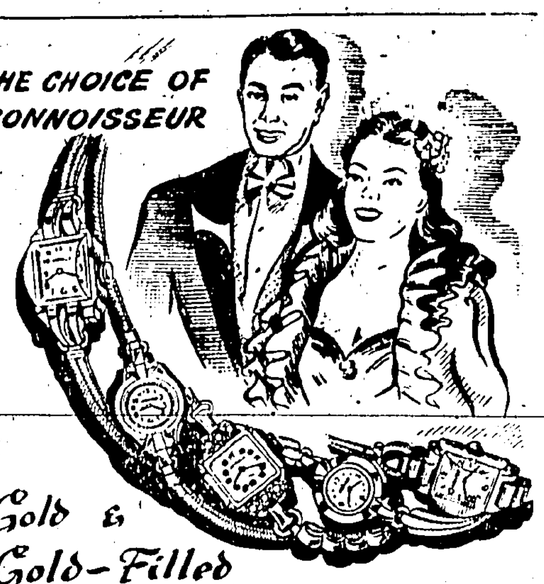

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AIR SQUEEZE ON BRITAIN

By GRAHAM STANFORD

You cannot cover the Far East all front very long without hearing of what the English air operators call "putting the squeeze on Britain."

Wherever I follow the Empire air tracks here I am asked to give the facts for home judgment.

Far East officials say that Britain is being "frozen out" of the Far East skies in the mad "pirate" scramble for new places since the Communist march in China.

Airway operators say that the Chinese companies are flaunting the route agreement they made with Britain in 1947, are "hogging" routes that Britain pioneered and is now no longer allowed to use.

Government action should be taken, they say, to ensure that the Chinese Government honours the agreement.

Valuable Face

The present policy is costing the British taxpayer money and losing us valuable "face" in the Far East.

At Kai Tak Airport, Hong Kong, it was certainly hard to believe it was a British airport in a British colony.

Chinese aircraft were too numerous to count, and at least two-thirds of the aerodrome was occupied by the Chinese National Aviation Corporation.

"Just look at it," said an official, "and yet Britain is allowed to operate only one route into China Hong Kong to Canton.

"We are just handing it over."

The China National Aviation Corporation is owned 82 per cent by the Chinese Government and the rest by Pan-American World Airways. It is the chief aviation instrument of the Chinese Nationalist Government.

Big Move-Out

When Shanghai was threatened by the Communists early this year CNAC packed up and moved lock, stock, and barrel into Hong Kong.

It transplanted its complete operational and maintenance headquarters to this already overcrowded British airport—which also houses an RAF Spitfire squadron.

The Central Air Transport Corporation, wholly owned by the Chinese Government, did much the same.

Now BOAC faces uncontrolled competition from these two Chinese companies on its one Hong Kong to Canton route.

The Chinese Nationalist Government also has informed the British Embassy in Canton that Shanghai is closed to British airlines because of the "sea blockade."

One British operator said to me: "What is the matter with us? Despite the 1947 Nanking Agreement the Chinese fly how they like and we apparently sit back without protest and let them."

Chinese civil planes today are operating nine unauthorised routes out of Hong Kong, and the lines recently announced that they intend to operate three more, all unauthorised and in direct violation of the 1947 agreement.

But Britain still honours the agreement.

Adventure On The Short Waves

A. V. Sellwood Reports On The Short-Wave Radio Enthusiasts Who Make Daily World Tours While Sitting At Home.

In a 24 hour radio adventure I chatted with an icebound outpost of Britain's Antarctic Survey, a wandering Englishman high in the mountains of Tibet, a Russian in barren Franz Josef Land, the sunbathers on Fijian beaches.

It all began at Number 17.

At first sight there's nothing very unusual about Number 17. It's a trim, semi-detached house, one of a row in Courtlands Avenue, Langley.

It's garden backs on to a belt of woodland, which makes it a pleasant and secluded spot for tea on Sunday afternoons. The lawn is well-mown.

But the french windows don't open on to the lawn. Instead, they open on to a conservatory. And it is from here that the man who lives at Number 17, quiet Bob Holmes, daily journeys on strange odysseys to the lazy heat of the South Sea Islands, the wastes of the Arctics.

Mr Holmes is a HAM, which, of course, is the professional name for amateur radio senders the world over.

He is the victim of a complaint that is very catching. Since 1939 British hams holding a GPO licence have risen threefold to the 6,500 mark. I am not surprised that the complaint is catching.

VY MNI TNX FR QSO OM ... so the adventure begins.

Behind The Iron Curtain

At 12 noon we have pierced the Iron Curtain and gone far behind it. A Russian in the Arctic exploration teams has been talking to us in morse from Franz Josef Land.

The message means: "Very many thanks for your two-way conversation. Old Man" — for even in territories administered by the Kremlin hams "speak" a language based on English.

This Old Man stuff is universal, and it gives you a rich warm glow to hear the friendly little drawled by the Yank in Michigan, buzzed by the Chinese on the morse key from Chungking.

But Ivan is sending. . . .

To the amateur radio sender, as well as Ivan, long-distance political conversations over the air are barred, so we refrain from mutual congratulations on the raising of the Berlin blockade or recriminations regarding its commencement.

We discover, however, that Ivan's beard is now hopelessly overgrown, and that the weather (surprisingly) is cold. Then, with more enthusiasm, he enters into details of "snags" encountered and overcome when operating his set.

Ivan is ending . . .

Despite the goodwill generated, this Russian "hamming" has its peculiar side.

The usual rule is that when one amateur makes contact with another for the first time the two celebrate their link-up posting each other a QSL card confirming the conversation, the strength at which it was received, the equipment that made it possible.

Since the war there are more "hams" in the Soviet Union than ever before. And the waveband is noisy with competitions organised from Vladivostok to Minsk. QSL HQ in Russia is Box 88, Moscow, 88 in ham language means "love and kisses." It's just a charming coincidence.

Collection Bureau

This centralised collection bureau sends out a variety of interesting pieces of "wall-paper" (professional names for the cards, because you pin 'em up if you've got the room).

Probably the nicest is the one that bears the picture of a gentleman called A. S. Popow.

You don't know the significance of Mr. Popow? The caption will tell you. Refusing to truck with Imperialist nonsense about a fellow called Marconi it boldly asserts, "A. S. Popow. The Inventor of Radio."

Which is almost as interesting a claim as the one upheld by a cheery Latin installed in Britain's Antarctic territory. His card of design bears the inscription: "South Orkney Islands—The Argentine Republic."

But to get back to the conservatory.

As a boy I nourished exciting illusions about Tibet, especially Lhasa. Lhasa was the Forbidden City. It was the strange, secret stronghold of sinister monks, the place where llamaseries hung from forbidding crags.

Alas! believe it or not, there's an English ham in those remote hills.

At 1 p.m. he talked with robust enthusiasm from a quiet place 12,000 feet up—he talked about things like input power and antennaes.

He said: "No AC or DC here, old man. I operate the set from a six volt car battery."

He said: "The people are charming. The weather is not too good. All my radio spare parts have to come here by pack mule."

And in a letter confirming a previous conversation he complained: "There is no electrical equipment in the shops."

I don't quite know what that Englishman is doing in Tibet. But he's so casual about it all that it's quite obvious he does not know he's shattered one of my few illusions. For me the Forbidden City is no more.

Contact In The Land Of Ice

It was nearly 11 at night. In Langley the pubs had shut. The footsteps of the Last Man Out had crunched heavily by our window a full quarter of an hour before.

Down in the South Shetlands it was early evening, in the middle of the Antarctic winter.

Radio Operator J. W. Knox was at his post. Every time he started up the generators to power the set he had to walk two to three hundred yards into the driving snow.

A few weeks ago he was "worked" by Mr. Holmes with R/T, which meant a pleasant chat for the pair over their respective mikes and a new record in radio — the first time an amateur had gone so far South on telephony.

To Mr. Holmes, it was an even greater occasion than when he worked morse through to Grahamland.

To Radio Operator Knox, the way back to home at Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, seemed very much shorter.

What are the men down South thinking and doing? Radio Operator Knox would not say: "So sorry, but we can't speak to the Press, or send a message—not without permission."

And there's also a GPO ruling—no three-way conversations for British amateurs!

Certainly he ought to know the legalities of the business.

Each of the minute bases—there are only four men on the South Shetlands—has its own "judge" and "court." To register your claim under International Law you've to "administer" the territory concerned. Hence South Shetlands also has its post-office!

You learn a lot of things "hamming," and you meet a lot of people.

For instance, there's "Mac," in Central America. Recently a revolution broke out in his area, made the headlines because the city was housing one of post-war's innumerable conferences.

Revolutionary Voice

For two weeks Mac went to ground. Nobody could contact him. Then one night Mr. Holmes heard his signals.

"Hullo, Mac! What's been happening to you?

Said Mac: "Oh, I've just been out shooting!"

Operated from the conservatory, or "shack," as enthusiasts call it, the directors of the 50 feet aerial at the bottom of the Holmes's garden revolve at the rate of one revolution per minute.

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And the map on the wall beside the 150-watt transmitter looks as unlike the conventional plan of the world as the charts of the ancient Vikings.

It is what the radio men call "The Great Circle Globe."

Wireless waves (unlike you or I) are free to travel the shortest distance between two points. So if you want to get Hawaii in the early morning you send via the North Pole. To get a clearer picture of what this means, visualise a globe of the world squashed flat and you'll see the difference between the ham's view and our own.

The ambition of every "ham" is to "work" as much new territory as possible.

And the certificates in the drawer beneath the super set in the conservatory show that Mr. Holmes is a very superior sort of ham—very superior.

He's 'Worked' Every Place Since The War

Since that glorious day when the Government handed back to the enthusiasts the sets it had confiscated during the war, Bob Holmes has "worked" more than 215 areas designated by the international radio people as countries.

He has contacted every state of the Union, each segment of the Commonwealth. He is a very lucky man.

And he is anxious to help other enthusiasts achieve similar results, for the brotherhood of the earth's 100,000 hams is something to be seen (or listened to) before believing. It is an example of co-operative planning without equal in any other "hobby."

For example, there's the chap who goes from Kenya to Zanzibar for the odd week-end to give the boys a chance of working new territory. And there's the Benevolent Swiss who spends each holiday in Liechtenstein with a pack set, so that someone one the 20-metre band can add yet another "country" to his list.

Thanks to Bob Holmes, I spoke to lots of friendly people. Among them is the operator on Kwajalein atoll. Pre-war Kwajalein atoll wasn't often in the news. It's just a tiny pin point on a large scale map of the Pacific.

Now the Americans are conducting tests of atomic weapons there.

HPE CUAGN SN CHEERIO...

That "Hope to See You Again Soon" from the Atom Man sounds good.

I had wanted, very much, to get hold of another of Mr. Holmes's contacts . . . a mysterious white man ambling around between Bechuanaland and Swaziland. But we couldn't make him hear.

At 2 a.m. I listened instead to a charming South American gal discuss with someone in Cuba the merits of "two element beams," before speaking to a pleasant sort of fellow in the United States who seemed really excited about the possibilities of radio.

"Probably a ham in the early stages of the disease," said Mr. Holmes. "The Yanks have 80,000 amateurs on the register, issue a sort of 'radio directory' with call signs, etc."

The radio conference scheme is certainly well organised. And a big get-together of the enthusiasts whose crackle on the 20-metre band runs on while we are in bed is provided by the annual contest of the Radio Society of Great Britain.

On this occasion contestants work at such pressure that they are prostrate by the end of the show.

For 48 hours each man (or woman) tries to locate and hold conversations with as many Empire stations as possible. It is a case of first come, first served. The lucky operator who breaks in as No. 1 on a receiver is followed by a swarm of others, scrambling for position.

But personally I much prefer to take this "round the world from an armchair" business steadily and by degrees.

It is so fascinating. You can chatter away to Spitzbergen, switch down to the whaling station at South Georgia Island or bask by proxy in the sunshine of Fiji, as we did before closing down for the night at 3 a.m.

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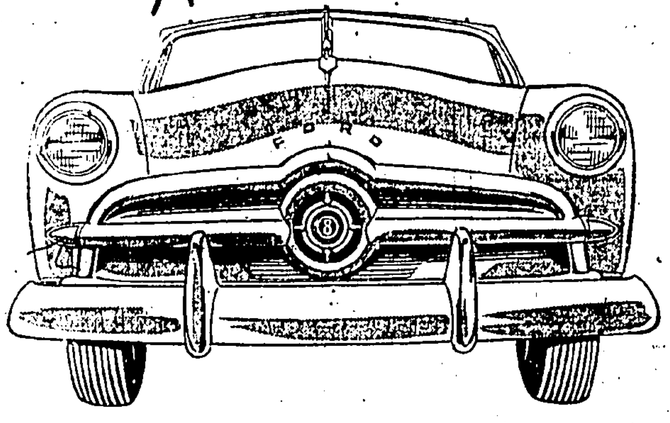

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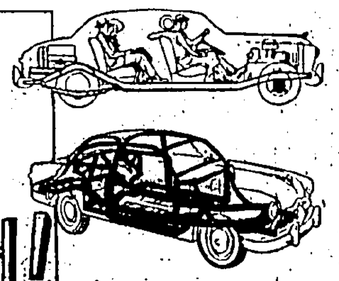

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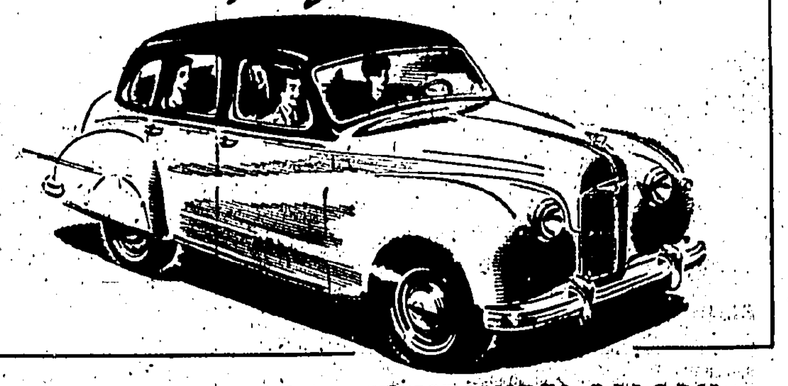

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DISCONTENT SPREADS IN CZECH AIR FORCE

Vienna, July 16.

Several 19-year-old officer cadets from the Czech Air Force Academy at Hradec Kralove have arrived here with the latest batch of political refugees from Czechoslovakia.

They report that many of their comrades who have not managed to escape share their anti-Communist feelings.

They also said that of 80 pupils who started an 18-month Academy course in 1947, only 30 passed out this spring. Most of those who failed were dismissed for "political unreliability."

Hradec Kralove Academy is the Czech equivalent of the Royal Air Force college at Cranwell.

The cadets said that during their training, lectures on Marxist ideology took up nearly as much time as the study of navigation and flight theory combined.

Nearly all the cadets asked to be allowed to join the RAF. In many cases they said they had completed their intermediate training only to gain the necessary basic qualifications.

Counter-Measures

The regular number of escapes from Czechoslovakia has been reduced recently by severe Government counter-measures.

Frontier guard units were completely reshuffled this spring and many officers and NCOs who were suspected of assisting escapes have been replaced.

The Czech Government has devoted particular attention to stopping direct escapes by air. Among the latest precautions are:

1. The transfer of many flying command to the Eastern part of the country thus placing Western territory out of range of most planes.

2. Stronger State police guard on hangars and airfields.

3. Limiting the amount of petrol put into all Air Force planes before take-off to enough for only about 10 minute flying.

Air Patrols

The latter has proved the most effective control of all.

Special police fly regular interceptor patrols near the frontier but the Government apparently has little more trust in them than in the Air Force pilots.

The police patrol planes are reported to be allowed only enough petrol for about 15 minutes in the air.

Murder Expert Meets Doom

Washington, July 15.

Death on the gallows today ended the career of Jake Bird, a 48-year-old Negro who had confessed to committing or having a knowledge of 44 murders.

Although he received little formal education, Bird's legal knowledge enabled him to carry his case through many courts and postpone his execution for a year and a half.—Reuter.

COOLNESS TOWARDS PACIFIC TREATY

Rangoon, July 16.

The Burmese Foreign Minister, E. Maung, declared today that Burma does not intend to join blindly in any association of countries, anti-Communist or otherwise, which might involve the country in another South East Asia co-prosperity sphere like that organised by Japan.

"We had one taste of that. Never again," he said.

An anti-Communist union is reported to be under discussion between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek of China and President Quirino of the Philippines.

In New Delhi, Foreign Ministry officials expressed similar sentiment; and denied that India will link in terms of a Pacific or South East Asian union or pact.

They added: "The crux of India's foreign policy is to keep away from such blocs."

They were commenting on the statement made on Wednesday by Lino Neri, Under Secretary of the Foreign Ministry in the Philippines. Mr. Lino Neri is reported to have expressed the hope that India would ultimately collaborate in the proposed Pacific anti-Communist union.

Quoting the examples of recent conferences on Indonesia and on Burma, the officials here said: "India favours such regional understanding and co-operation in pursuit of the ideals of the United Nations, but avoids entanglement in regional blocs."—Associated Press.

'PEACE BUS' TO TOUR BRITAIN

London, July 15.

A red luxury motor bus, decorated with a "dove of peace" and flying a streamer announcing: "Peace is our birthright—for life not death," is leaving London today for a 10-day tour of England.

The tour has been organised by the International Women's Day Committee. Its object is to bring home to the people of Britain a sense of the need to struggle actively for peace.

The bus will first call at Canterbury, where the Dean, Dr. Hewlett Johnson, will bless it, and then go on to the North of England, stopping at several cities on the way.—Reuter.

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Mao's Blast Against Foreigners

Bucharest, July 15.

"Chinese and foreign reactionaries" must be destroyed before Communist China can resume commercial and diplomatic relations with foreigners, the Chinese Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, declared in today's issue of the Cominform journal.

Victory is impossible without Soviet aid, Mao said. Britain and the United States would give no aid to the "People's Democracy" because the imperialists are still in power in those countries.

It is necessary to struggle for the realization of Communism throughout the world, he declared. The present Chinese State apparatus is an instrument of violence against the class enemy, and not of goodwill towards him, Mao concluded.—Reuter.

Protestants Condemn Communism

London, July 15.

Leaders of the Protestant world today agreed that Communism is incompatible with Christianity, but they were sharply critical of the Roman Catholic crusade against the Reds.

March Boegner, joint president of the non-Catholic world Council of Churches, and three other members of the Council's Central Committee, rejected the idea that the Church must declare war on Communism.

Criticism of the Vatican's order excommunicating all Catholic Communists reached its peak at Chichester, where the Council Committee is now meeting.

The Committee approved a resolution condemning domination of minority religions by church majorities, after the British methodist leader, Mr. M.E. Aubrey, had declared that Catholic domination of Protestants in Spanish-speaking countries is worse than Red oppression of churches.

The British Communist Party entered a denial of the Church charges, citing a statement made in June by its general secretary, Harry Pollitt, to prove that "the Party stands for freedom of conscience and full rights to practice religion".

Mr. Pollitt's statement, however, attacked the "reactionary policies of the Vatican" and charged that the Roman Church is "attempting to use Catholics for purposes which constitute a danger to the trend of the union movement and which are directed against Socialism".—UUnited Press.

BRITISH PROPERTY IN BURMA

Rangoon, July 15.

The Burmese Cabinet today discussed the question of the protection of British-owned property in the new abandoned Yenangyuang oil fields.

Earlier today the Burmese Government announced that it will operate the oil fields under Government control. They were abandoned by the British-owned Burmah Oil Company because of military operations in the area.

The problem of the re-employment of more than 2,000 oil workers, mostly Burmese, was also considered by the Cabinet.

The Burmese Trade Union Congress, which represents the majority of workers in the country, handed to the Press a statement bitterly criticising the British workers for closing down the oil fields and so contributing to further unemployment.

The Congress said it will "counter-attack" this move against the Burmese workers. — Associated Press.

JUDGE'S DEATH

Oslo, July 15.

The death was announced here today of the Norwegian Supreme Court Judge, M. Erik Solem, who was 72. Judge Solem, who retired last year, conducted the trial of Vidkun Quisling in 1945.—Reuter.

Sabotage Kills Six In Japanese Railway Dismissal Dispute

Tokyo, July 16.

Sabotage by discharged employees is believed to have been responsible for the deaths of six and injury to 12 Japanese when an empty electric train plunged at full speed across the station compound at Mitaka, a Tokyo suburb, last night.

The Transportation Ministry said a seven-car train had been left on a siding half a mile from the station with the switches off. One witness told the police he saw a man jump from the engine cab as the train moved, about 9.05 p.m. yesterday.

Gaining speed quickly, the train followed an open switch into the siding, plunged through a buffer and plowed across the station compound.

The dead and injured were Japanese crossing the compound to the railway station platform. The three lead cars, which included the engine compartment, broke loose, skidded another 100 yards, demolishing a police box and several shops before grinding to a halt.

The Government railways are in the second stage of dismissing employees under an Occupation-ordered retrenchment programme. Two days ago the orders went out for the dismissal of 67,000 more.

Two days after the dismissal notices went out to 30,000 railway workers, the mangled body of President Sadanori Shimoyama of the railways Corporation was found on the tracks on July 6 in another Tokyo suburb. Police and the Procurator's office have since announced that Shimoyama was murdered before his body was thrown on the tracks. Informed Occupation sources from the beginning held the theory that Shimoyama was the first post-surrender political assassination victim.

Union Decision

Last night's incident is the first in which suspected sabotage caused loss of life. However, for weeks extra track patrols have been necessary on main lines to remove obstructions.

Most attempts to wreck trains have been made by placing rocks on the tracks and tampering with switches and signals.

"Asahi" reported that the "Central Fighting Committee" of the National Railway Workers' Union a few hours before the Mitaka incident voted 17-15 to warn the Conservative Government of the Premier, Shigeru Yoshida, that the gravest stage in the railway dismissal dispute has arrived.

Most of the 15 dissenting votes were cast by the "Mindo" (Democratic League) which has opposed the Leftist majority in the Union's leadership. The Mindo adherents walked out of the meeting and refused to take take part in issuance of the warning.

Later the Mindo group issued a statement charging that the Japan Communist Party has decided that the time for a revolution has ripened and is, accordingly, inciting the masses for the revolution.

Situation Tense

The Mindo group said they had opposed the recent resolution of the Union to use force, if necessary, in fighting the dismissal plan.

The Railway Ministry said the situation around the Mitaka station, on the Chuo line in the Western suburbs of Tokyo, has been tense all day. Shortly before noon yesterday more than a score of railway workers locked an official in his office for two hours. He was rescued by police.

Police said that at least two or more persons must have been involved in the train incident. One had to start the engine and the other had to open the switch on the track which led from the main line into the station compound.—Associated Press.

AMERICAN BAN ON SOPRANO

San Francisco, July 15.

The Norwegian soprano, Kirsten Flagstad, will not be allowed to sing in the War Memorial Opera House this autumn, and a spokesman for the San Francisco Opera Company warned today that the whole season may be cancelled.

The veteran-packed Memorial Board of Trustees ruled against the Norwegian singer because of the "highly controversial character of her public appearances elsewhere in the United States."

Attorney Herman Phleger, representing the San Francisco Opera Association, told the board the company will suffer a severe financial blow if Miss Flagstad's appearances are cancelled.

Superior Judge Milton Sapiro, representing the American Legion, answered that it would be better for the opera to go out of business "than to hire a traitor from Norway."

She was due to appear twice in two different operas.

Mr Phleger said the criticism against the 53-year-old opera star is mostly based on heresay. Ticket sales for her four performances have been five times as great as for any of the other 10 operas announced.—United Press.

HEROIN SEIZURE IN WIESBADEN

Frankfurt, July 15.

United States Air Force agents, who have uncovered a narcotics ring in Western Germany, last night broke into a Wiesbaden hotel room and seized 500 grammes (a little over a pound) of heroin, valued at $50,000.

The agents had been watching a group of men—a Greek, two Germans and a former member of the United States Forces—for over two months. They tracked them down to a Wiesbaden hotel where four men were arrested last night and another four men and a woman today.—Reuter.

SERIOUS FLOOD IN INDIA

New Delhi, July 15.

Twelve villages near Patiala, 140 miles North of Delhi, have been washed away by floods.

More than 10 inches of rain fell today in Patiala and a canal on the city's outskirts burst its banks in several places.

Parts of the city are under water and people from the flooded areas are being removed to safety in boats and on the backs of elephants.

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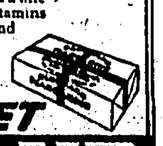

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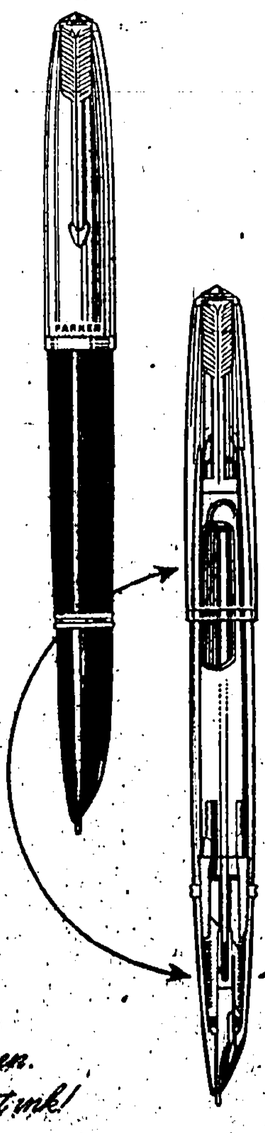

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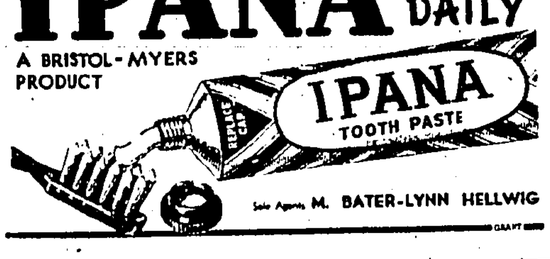

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FRONTIERS OF FEAR

By G. WARD PRICE

"Personal description—special peculiarities?" "None."

From Afghanistan in Central Asia to Finland on the fringe of the Arctic Circle stretch, in a long diagonal across the map, the Frontiers of Fear.

They are feeble fences confronting a formidable force. Behind them lie the freedom-loving, pacific nations of the West. Facing them is the potentially aggressive power of Soviet Russia, sprawling across Eastern Europe and the whole of Northern Asia.

Strung out over a quarter of the world's circumference, such uneasy border-areas are constantly on the alert against their Russian neighbour.

Here in Afghanistan the dividing line runs along the River Oxus. Next door, in Persia, the sensitive spot is the province of Azerbaijan, occupied by Russian troops in 1945.

Two Boundaries

Then comes one of the most neuralgic of these restless regions, the Russo-Turkish frontier in the Caucasus. And Turkey has another boundary to watch in Europe, where her territory joins that of the Soviet satellite Bulgaria.

Though Russia is remote from Greece, it was behind the Iron Curtain that the attacks upon that country by Greek Communists have been prepared. Continual conflict between East and West in Germany is the most conspicuous example of the unrest inseparable from close contact with Russia.

And this sequence of exposed positions extends still further—to the North Cape, thousands of miles from its other extremity on the North-West Frontier of India, now defended only by the reduced resources of Pakistan.

The Asiatic sectors of that long front are little visited by Europeans. Their remoteness is one reason why their importance is increasing.

Military Might

For in Europe any direct aggression by Russia would be faced by overwhelming force as soon as the North Atlantic Treaty has been ratified and its military aid programme passed by the United States Congress.

In Asia, however, no such international pact exist. There Russia would only have to reckon—anyhow, at first—with her immediate antagonist.

The comparatively weak nations in this part of the world are fully aware of the risk that this entails for them. Russia, they argue, has been "losing face" in Europe.

But in the Far East her prestige has grown with the successes of her pupils, the Chinese Communists. By taking some forward action in the Middle East she could co-operate with the Red advance in China.

The objective of such a policy might be to provide the western prong of a converging movement against India, where Communist agitation is increasing, and where the proposed introduction of universal suffrage in a backward and poverty-striken land is likely to extend it.

"I am convinced," said a senior and distinguished soldier in Pakistan to me, "that the Russians have a plan, when the time comes, to seize the Hindu Kush. That mountain-chain in the heart of Afghanistan would give them control of air-bases from which they could bomb Pakistan, India, and the Persian Gulf as well.

"It might be that their advance into Afghanistan would be only a diversion from the main operation of invading Persia, to gain the Persian oilfields, or at least deny the use of them to Britain and United States by compelling their destruction to keep them from Russia.

"I believe," he added, "that this may come sooner than we think."

As you enter Afghanistan through the Khyber Pass there are reminders on every side that this situation is by no means a new one in our experience. For over 100 years before we evacuated India in 1947 the British Government was constantly on its guard against the possibility of a Russian advance against India.

Refused Risk

Afghanistan would never have survived the 19th century as an independent State if it had not been that both Britain and Russia hesitated to risk the war with each other which the occupation of that country by either of them would have brought about.

Britain secured control of Afghanistan's foreign policy, but to do so involved us in two costly wars with that country. Fear that Russia might forestall us was the motive of both these difficult undertakings.

In 1839 we captured Kabul, put a nominee of our own upon the throne, and left a British garrison there for more than a year to protect him.

Then the Afghans rose, murdered our Ambassador and his chief assistant, drove out our army, and so savagely attacked it on its retreat through the winter snows that out of 700 British troops, 3,800 Indians, and 12,000 camp-followers only a solitary wounded man, a military surgeon named Brydon, survived to reach the nearest British post at Jallalabad, half-way to the Khyber.

Diplomat Died

Then again in 1878 the British Government invaded Afghanistan to compel its ruler to accept a diplomatic mission in Kabul. Six weeks after the newly appointed envoy had reached his post he and his whole guard of 60 men were massacred and the war had to be resumed.

It was won only after a serious defeat at Maiwand had been repaired by the famous march of Lord Roberts from Kabul to Kandahar.

The Third Afghan War was begun by the Afghan monarch Amanullah, now living in exile in Rome on a pension of £300 a month. He asked for peace after six weeks, which was granted on favourable terms, but he had roused the frontier tribes against us, and to subdue them was a task that took two years.

So that the twisting, rocky Khyber Pas, through which you now enter Afghanistan by a well graded tarmac road, has taken heavy toll of British blood and sweat. The forts that defend it, at Jamrud, Ali Masjid, and Landi Kotal, have been familiar stations to generations of British soldiers.

One or two British officers still serving with the Khyber Rifles, the Pakistan militia regiment that guards the Pass, are the only survivors of that long succession.

There is no need of the Customs post and the gate across the road to tell you when you reach the border of Afghanistan. The change from modern to mediæval conditions is enough.

The British-made tarmac road that, behind you, stretches back all the way to Calcutta ends abruptly at the frontier. Ahead lies only a rough track.

The Afghan Customs post, some seven miles inside the border, is a mud hut on the verandah of which sat a genial official who spoke halting English.

"Where did you learn to speak English so well?" I asked the Customs officer with more politeness than accuracy.

"In Birmingham, 20 years ago," was the unexpected reply. "I was at the Police School there. Ah, Birmingham!"

He shook his head and sighed as if recalling a lost paradise. "I had many good friends there."

He shook me sadly by the hand and gave me back my passport and papers. I was free to enter Afghanistan, and my car headed for the first of the "Frontiers of Foar," which are the most closely guarded boundary-lines on earth today.

Victoria Would Not Have Approved

By G.N. SINCLAIR

Chief Tshekedi took me to the summit of the steep hill overlooking the five miles of mud huts that make up Serowe, capital of Bechuanaland.

We stood beside the graves of his father, the great Khama, and his brother, Sekgoma, father of Seretse, whose marriage to white Ruth Williams threatens to split the tribe.

Said Tshekedi: "The thing that cuts deep into my heart is that this tribe of ours, Bamangwato, is heading for disintegration.

"If Queen Victoria had been alive she would never have permitted this."

Plans Ended

Tshekedi, who always dresses in European clothes, spoke perfect English.

He covered his face with both hands and said, almost to himself: "And my work in the past 22 years, plans I have for the tribe's future welfare, all now go overboard—because of a white woman 6,000 miles away who has never seen Africa in her life."

"This burial-ground is as sacred to the Bamangwatos as World's End, where Rhodes rests, is to the Rhodesians.

Seretse, as a boy, used to come up here clutching the hand of his uncle, the young regent Tshekedi, whom, until he married Ruth Williams, he called father.

Tshekedi flung out his arms: "All this is Seretse's by right and by my wish, but how can a white woman appreciate it" he asked.

"No Londoner can have the faintest conception of Africa, and no Bechuana could visualise London in a thousand dream pipes.

One Question

"My people are asking me all day long: 'Is the white woman of royal blood?' Having been brought up on the legends of Queen Victoria, and having seen our gracious Queen Elizabeth, they think only that a white woman who could marry their chief-apparent would be of royal blood."

Before climbing the hill to his father's grave Tshekedi had shown me the duties his own wife carries out towards her and her husband's people.

He took me through the royal residence facing kgotla (meeting-place) and out into the compound, where there are a series of mud huts crammed always with 250 of the "chief's guests."

"These people from all over the country are our guests. They are always changing. It's as if Buckingham Palace kept about 30 houses for subjects visiting the King from all over Britain," Tshekedi explained.

"My wife's first duty every day is to go among the women, sit with them all morning, and entertain them while I listen to the grievances of their menfolk in kgotla.

"They are simple people. They come hundreds of miles to meet their chieftainess.

"Every afternoon there are endless tasks for the chief's wife connected with the tribe's welfare. A chieftainess who could not speak the language would be completely stumped.

"The coming of a white woman is against all our traditions and can lead only to chaos and disintegration. It is against these that I fight."

I held two "courts" today. One was at Tshekedi's European bungalow—for visitors—and the other was at the mission run by the London Missionary Society. The first was with tribal elders, men who have grown grey under Tshekedi's rule and who are the backbone of the tribe's "Civil Service."

Tshekedi Khama (right), regent of the Bamangwato tribe in Bechuanaland since 1926 has decided to go into exile because of the marriage of his 27-year-old nephew and successor, Seretse Khama (left) to a white girl, 24-year-old London typist Ruth Williams (centre.)—Associated Press Photo.

The second was with a group of Seretse's supporters, young men who welcome the coming of a white woman.

The tribal elders talked to me in parables.

One old headman who must have been 80, blind, and dressed in a European-style check suit on which you could have played draughts, said: "I was in Capetown in 1900. I saw a race called the Cape Coloureds. They used to be called by the proud name of Hottentot.

"They are just coloured now. God forbid that this fate should come to the Bamangwatos."

'Chief Is Happy'

At the mission there was a different story. There a gang of young men came shuffling in.

Their spokesman began: "Chief Seretse has told me to tell you he is quite happy and that he will send for his wife as soon as he has found her a house to live in."

They assured me that the coming of a white woman would be a good thing for the tribe.

Seretse may be happy, but my sojurn in this town of mud huts has convinced me that the people are anything but happy.

Perhaps the most outstanding impression I have is that of the inactive part played by Bechuanaland's protectors—His Majesty's Government.

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BAN ON GIRLS BY A BOYS' SCHOOL

Eastbourne, July 16.

Senior boys at Eastbourne College have been forbidden to go out with girl students from the Eastbourne School of Domestic Economy without permission.

This order was issued after complaints that boys had been breaking bounds and going for early morning bathes with the girls during the recent hot weather.

The girls have been told that they must not use College-road. Silverdale-road, where the domestic school is situated, has been placed out of bounds to the boys.

Prefects are making visits to the girls' school entrances to see that the order is obeyed.

A senior master at the boys' school said tonight: "This arrangement was made after members of both staffs had met recently. It is quite a friendly one.

"The most senior of our boys are not to blame, but it is those just merging on seniority who are trying to ape the older boys to whom the order applies.

A Distraction

"The girls often pass by the college houses during 'prep' hours, distracting the boys' attention.

"It is quite true that this order was precipitated through bathing parties, but there has been no real trouble.

"We have always allowed senior college boys and girls from the school to go for walks over the downs on Sundays.

They can still do so if permission is obtained in the usual way."

Bed By 10

The School of Domestic Economy, which has about 120 pupils whose ages range from 13 to 18, refused to make any comment.

The girls are accommodated in hostels adjoining the school buildings.

One of the hotel superintendents said that the girls were all in bed by 10 o'clock.

SAKAIS' REVENGE ASSAULT

Kuala Lumpur, July 15.

Sakais, Malayan aborigines, descended from their mountain fastnesses and killed 14 Chinese in a revenge assault on a Perak village, it was announced today.

Police arrested 14 of the Sakais, who live in the semi-darkness of high mountain forests which normally they never leave.

Terrorists recently killed two women Sakai and one man and wounded a woman and child.

Thereupon the usually peaceful aborigines banded together for a revenge raid on Bukit Pekan village, wounding 13 Chinese in addition to the 14 killed.

A 24-hour air attack on bandits believed to be concentrated near the Thai border in Upper Perak state was completed this evening by the RAF for the first time using Sunderlands for high level bombing.

Hundreds of small fragmentation bombs were dropped from the Sunderlands while Beaufighters strafed the area with cannon and rockets.

The raids were carried on through the night with parachute flares.

Ground forces are already moving in and the results of the air attack are likely to be known on Saturday.—Associated Press.

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Peace Prospects In Indonesia Have Increased

London, July 16.

The chances of a real cease fire in Indonesia and for Republican participation in a round table conference at The Hague have been improved by recent developments, the "London Times" declared in an editorial today.

Rumours that the emergency administration set up in Sumatra by Sjafruddin Prawiranegara is bitterly opposing the Van Royen-Rum agreement and might insist on continuing hostilities with the Dutch have been disproved, said the paper, noting that Sjafruddin is in the Republican capital to hand over his administration.

The emergency administration was set up while President Soekarno, Dr. Hatta and other members of the Republican Cabinet were interned on Bangka Island.

They returned to Jogjakarta last week in accordance with the agreement reached in May between Dr. Van Royen and Mohammed Rum on behalf of the Dutch and Republican delegations under the auspices of the UN Committee on Indonesia.

These developments, said the "Times", have increased the authority of Dr. Soekarno and Dr. Hatta in time to help them secure endorsement of the cease fire policy and for Republican participation in a round table.

While it is difficult to estimate the strength of the parties which, mainly under Communist influence, refuse all compromise with the Dutch and denounce the Republican Ministers as traitors, the overwhelming weight of opinion in the Republic, as in the other federal states, seems to be in favour of an early peace, the "Times" concludes.— Associated Press.

"Invasion" Of Britain Under Way

Copenhagen, July 15.

The Viking ship, Hugin, which is to "invade" Britain later this month, left here today on the first stage of her voyage.

Under the red and white striped Viking sail, which has not been seen on the North Sea for nearly a 1,000 years, she made her way across the Kattegat towards Esbjerg, the Jutland West coast port.

Her 50-man crew of dockers, bricklayers, policemen and tradesmen will row the ship to the Isle of Thanet to mark the anniversary of the first Viking invasion of Britain.

The dragon-headed Hugin, which is 80 feet long, nearly 40 feet high and weighs more than 14 tons, will sail from Esbjerg on July 18 in a repetition of the Viking invasion by Hengist and Horsa 1,500 years ago.

The ship is named after one of the two ravens which, according to legend, accompanied the Norse god Odin.

The "invaders" will visit Ramsgate and Rochester—which history associates with the Viking invasion—before being towed up the Thames to London.—Reuter.

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The Brabazon Airliner Mark 1. This picture gives a fine impression of the plane's colossal size.

EXPERIMENTS IN SIZE BY UK AIR DESIGNERS

The size of a transport vehicle plays a large part in determining whether it is an economic success. The Bristol Brabazon airliner project undertaken by the United Kingdom is intended to produce the biggest passenger aircraft for non-stop flights between London and New York.

It is a vast enterprise, comparable with those which produced the Normandie and the Queen Elizabeth.

If, during the flight trials that are now to take place, the Brabazon confirms the design and operating calculations, Britain will have established the foundations for a trans-Atlantic air service combining speed and comfort for the passenger with reasonable financial returns for the operators. The Brabazon is not, therefore, simply a very large aircraft: it is an aircraft designed to give certain results on a certain route.

Two Brabazons are being built, the Mark I with eight Centaurus piston engines, the Mark II with Proteus gas turbines driving airscrews. Owing to the use in the United States of the short ton there has been some misunderstanding about the all-up weight of Brabazon. It is 131 metric tons, which is 129 long tons or over 145 short tons. The aircraft accommodates a different number of passengers according to the amenities provided. Thus on the Atlantic run 100 passengers is the specification figure; but the cabin capacity would be adequate to seat 224 passengers in ample comfort on shorter runs.

Engine Installations

Owing to new problems presented by the size of the aircraft, independent studies had to be undertaken of the engine installations and of the control system. The Centaurus engines are coupled in pairs and drive counter-rotating airscrews, and it was necessary to build a complete power plant together with a part of the wing, the fuel and oil leads and the electrical services, to test the installation.

Some of the control surfaces, larger than the wings of small aircraft, would be too heavy to work by hand and are power operated. Three different systems of power operation were tried on test rigs on the grounds, and the final choice was also tested in a bomber aircraft in flight.

In overall dimensions the Brabazon comes between the Consolidated Vultee XC-99 and the Sud-Est 2010. Its main dimensions are: wing span 70 metres, length 54 metres. Its lines are less bluff than those of the XC-99 and in that respect they resemble more closely the lines of the S-E 2010. Maximum cruising speed with the Centaurus engines, each giving 2,500 horsepower, is 400 kilometres an hour. With the Proteus prop-jets the maximum cruising speed goes up to over 530 kilometres an hour. Range varies with the particular loading and may be over 8,000 kilometres. The cabin is pressurised.

The construction of the Brabazon is entirely metallic and the fuselage, with its long nose, approaches the ideal aerodynamic shape for the speeds visualised. The eight engines are coupled in pairs so that the aircraft appears to have four, each with counter-rotating aircrews. An assembly hall had to be built at Bristol, England, and a special, extremely long runway prepared. The runway at Filton, nearby, is in fact longer than is needed for the operation of the aircraft, since it includes a safety margin for test flights.

Landing Availability

At normal loadings the Mark II aircraft will be able to work from all the main airfields of the world, including those at London, Paris (Orly), Amsterdam (Schiphol), and New York (Idlewild). It has a tricycle undercarriage and modifications to the wheel arrangements have enabled the wheel loading per unit area of runway to be reduced so that no special strengthening will be needed.

A great many technical advances were made during the course of construction, one of the most notable being a new method of weight control. This enabled the weight of the components to be checked during manufacture, and prevented the growth in weight that has been regarded as almost inevitable in new aircraft in the past. The consequence of this innovation was that the total structure weight came out at the end only 23 kilograms greater than the design figure, a degree of accuracy unique in the history of the construction of large aircraft.

The cost of the whole of the Brabazon project, including the two aircraft, the new assembly hall and the Filton runway, is about £12,000,000. This has been criticised as excessive. If the aircraft were one in the ordinary run of routine development, the amount could with justification be held to be excessive. But the Brabazon is much more than that. Along with the flying boats of comparable size which Britain is also building, it is the greatest forward step in the air transport of passengers over long distances undertaken since World War II. It will be in fact an altogether new kind of air vehicle, giving some of the amenities of the ocean liner, yet with the extremely high speed of the land-going aircraft; and on its success will depend to a large extent the future attitude of the Airlines of the world towards very large aircraft.

UN Employees Under A Cloud

Washington, July 16.

The U.S. Attorney-General, Mr. Tom Clark, disclosed today that some 20 or more persons attached to the United Nations headquarters in New York are being investigated by the Justice Department.

Mr. Clark, testifying before a Senate Judiciary Committee, mentioned no precise figure on UN employees. But, he, said the Department has espionage and intelligence investigations pending concerning approximately 685 aliens, of whom about four per cent are attached to the UN. Four per cent of 685 is 27 or 28.
—Associated Press.

GANGSTER EXPELLED BY ROME

Rome, July 15.

Charles "Lucky" Luciano was released from gaol in Rome today and ordered to be expelled from Rome.

The dapper ex-New York mobster was whisked under police escort to Central Police Headquarters. He is to undergo final formalities which a police official said would render him "persona non grata" in Rome.

Luciano's 28-year-old Italian sweetheart, Igea Lissoni, told a reporter she plans to wait for Luciano at police headquarters.

Luciano, after nine hours of almost continuous police questioning, was cleared of any complicity in a vast international dope ring now under investigation.

Greate Barranco, Chief of Rome's mobile squad police, said Luciano will be obliged to report to local police authorities in his tiny Sicilian birthplace, Lercara Friddi, in a few days.

After that, said Signor Barranco, Luciano will be at the disposition of police forces at Lercara Friddi.

The police chief added that Luciano, after fulfilling police requirements at Lercara Friddi, will be free to come and go anywhere in Sicily or Italy, ouside of Rome.
—Associated Press.

Noah's Ark Expedition Cancelled

Istanbul, July 15.

An American expedition searching for traces of Noah's Ark has been refused permission to search Mount Ararat, near the Turkish-Soviet border, because it is a prohibited military zone.

Dr. Auron Smith, of North Carolina, who had hoped to find the Ark preserved in a recognisable condition in a glacier, returned to Istanbul today (after a talk with the Turkish Home Minister.

A similar British expedition, under a retired civil servant, Mr. Egerton Sykes, was turned away last month. Mr. Sykes said then that he hoped a joint expedition of Britons, Americans and Dutchmen would be possible when the Russian pressure on Turkey has dropped.

The Book of Genesis says that the Ark rested upon the mountain of Ararat, and it was from there that Noah sent out his three doves.
—Reuter.

BAO DAI TOUR OF INDOCHINA

Hanoi, July 15.

Bao Dai, head of the new State of Vietnam, today reached Hanoi, capital of Tongking, in his tour of Vietnam capital towns.

From the airport Bao Dai drove to the former residence of the French Governor-General through streets decorated with Vietnamese flags, portraits of himself and triumphal arches. Crowds lined the route.

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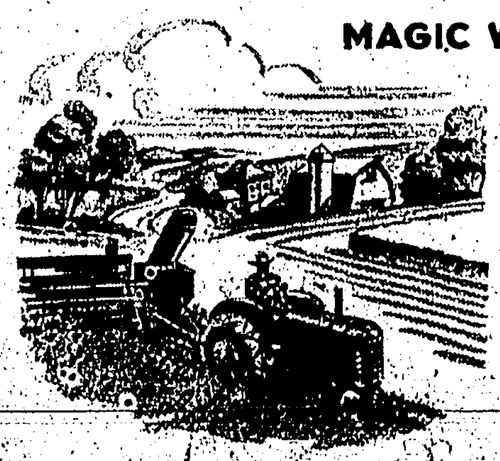

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FASHIONS FOR EXPORT

By JANET MARTIN

Britain's choice fabrics are known all over the world for their beauty and fine quality. Allied to the creative skill of the fashion designer and the inimitable cut of the British tailor, they produce clothes for exports which are making a high name in the field of fashion.

There is a partnership between style and fabric which reveals close co-operation between the makers of cloth, the textile designers and the fashion artists who create high fashion from lovely fabrics.

For the autumn, advance patterns show that the quality and richness of cloth will be of equal importance with cut and style. For tailored classics, beyond the whim of fashion, there are fine barathéas, bengalines velours, and panama suitings in the elegant "dust" colours. There are featherweight Harris tweeds, light enough for frocks.

Afternoon and cocktail gowns will gleam with duchesse satin, rustle with silk taffetas, plain, satin striped, threaded with glistening nylon. Shot taffetas, both plain and printed, for late day and evening gowns vie with woven jacquard satins, brocades, ottoman silks and poults.

For accessories there are umbrellas with plastic jewel handles and covers of suiting-check taffeta to match smart autumn outfits; travel rugs woven with "topical" themes, reminiscent of silk squares; woollen stoles, checked or striped, with fringed ends to wear over superbly tailored coat frocks; and new yarns for knitted cardigans and jumpers with a plushy, velvet sheen.

Many Materials

The short coat or jacket comes in many shapes and a multitude of materials. Favourite is the boxy jacket or the swing back, cut short, to wear as part of a suit, to match a dress or to partner a variety of odd skirts.

Among clothes for present wear, we find such unusual ideas as the Dorville frock in authentic tartan cotton poplin, with buttonned bodice and full, flared skirt folded at the centre front.

Pheasant eye cotton print is used for a charming sun dress with huge, slanted pocket flaps and a triangular scarf to match. Two beach coats take the eye... one in white, tufted with scarlet chenille, the other a mandarin style in printed linen with a design based on Chinese characters!

Perfect With Either

Among the jacket range is a useful boxy style in lemon corduroy velvet, shown with tan shorts for day wear, also with a slim black evening gown... and looking perfect with either. Another casual jacket is reversible, navy rayon, lined in lime yellow jersey, a happy partner with many interchanges.

Jackets again, are featured with their matching frocks, jackets so important that we put them first when describing the outfit! The combination I specially noted has a simple frock of navy wool georgette and a short, flare-back jacket with three quarter sleeves and enormous buttonned-on cuffs of pink and navy striped taffeta.

If you like to back your horse both ways, there is a very chic tailored costume with narrow skirt and the ultra-fashionable loose panel at the back, but the panel is not only loose, it is completely detachable, to wear, or not to wear according to the smartness of the occasion!

And finally, one evening frock must be mentioned, a cool summery one of superfine cotton in cyclamen mauve, with very little top, countless yards of hemline and an amusing pattern of "wallpaper" posies.

Science Saves A Smile

Imagine being physically unable to smile—forced always to have a frozenfeatured face, no matter how happy or gay you might feel.

That is what happened to pretty 17-year-old Golda Taylor of Freemantle, Western Australia.

Golda had always been a merry child, laughing and care-free.

So it was especially tragic when she became ill of a strange disease that gradually paralysed her facial muscles.

"It was pitiful to see her", said Mrs. Taylor, her morthe. "Golda, who was always so ready to smile and laugh, lying there with that stony face. Only those big eyes of hers had any expression."

Finally one specialist told them of a surgeon at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London who had performed a type of operation that might help Golda to regain her smile.

At first it seemed hopeless, for Golda's parents were working people with little money, but then anonymous contributions started to come in.

Passage on a steamer was arranged for Golda and her mother, and when they arrived in London, they went directly to St. Birtholomew's, where the surgeon examined the girl. He could promise nothing, he said, but if they were willing to take a chance—

They were willing.

The first day after the operation, Golda lay motionless in a kind of stupor. On the second day, Golda stirred; her eyes opened.

Mrs. Taylor held her breath wile her daughter's eyes fluttered and finally found her mother's face. Then—miraculously—Golda smiled. "It was the most beautiful smile in the world," Mrs. Taylor said later.

Golda and her mother are back home again now, and Golda is once more the laughing beauty everyone loved. Science, and neighborly generosity, had saved a smile—and a young girl's happiness.

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Grandma's Fashions Hold The Stage

Last week Sir Charles Cochran, that almost legendary inpresario, issued an invitation to Francis Marshall and me. Would we care to go along for a preview of the clothes Oliver Messel has designed for the newest Cochran musical, "Tough at the Top," which will be produced soon?

The styles are the early 1900's, as you see. We exclaimed over the beautiful workmanship (the footlights are supposed to hide a multitude of sins, but they don't!). And we were charmed by the unusual materials, trimmings, and lovely colours.

We were also forcibly struck by something else—an idea which set me wondering if there was anything in those trunks upstairs. Grandma's evening dress could easily be worn today. These clothes have tremendous eye-appeal for anyone conscious of today's fashions.

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The evening dress you see here is of pale grey satin, dull side out. The frill round the hem is red. Note the up-to-date neckline, the "cuffs" in front, and sequin-embroidered sleeves...all "new" fashion nearly 50 years after!

If you just cut out the yoke and high-boned collar of grandmama's daytime summer dress you'd have a dream of an evening dress for summer-time, 1949. It's made of white, eyelet-hole, embroidered organdie, and trimmed with slate-blue sash, and frills which are slate blue with white embroidery rather like guipure lace. Those sleeves are cut all in one piece.

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The lady in the hat is pure period. This was the kind of dress in which they went to Wimbledon in the days of King Edward. (The first Wimbledon championship was in 1884.) It is satin of a curious exquisite blue—imagine pale Prussian blue, with a dash of cobalt—and on her sleeves are "caterpillars" of ruffled black lace. (And to blazes with austerity! They all wear five drillings of petticoat underneath.)

By contrast, look at the lady who was sketched looking so cool and comfortable at Wimbledon this year.

Footnote: "Tough at the Top" is taken from a favourite saying of C. B. Cochran—caught in the sketch at rehearsals—that: "It isn't so hard to get to the top, but it's tough trying to stay here." Well, having been there all these years, he should know!

Daily Pre-Natal Exercise

By Sister Mary Jacob,

Open-air exercise and daily walks are a necessary part of the daily routine throughout pregnancy.

The expectant mother should walk briskly, holding herself erect, and should not carry awkward bundles or heavy weights when shopping.

Household jobs are good exercise when the body is used correctly for exercise while doing them.

Special exercises which teach you control of the abdominal and other muscles used during the birth of your baby are of inestimable value to you when they are done properly and regularly, but a doctor should be consulted before doing them.

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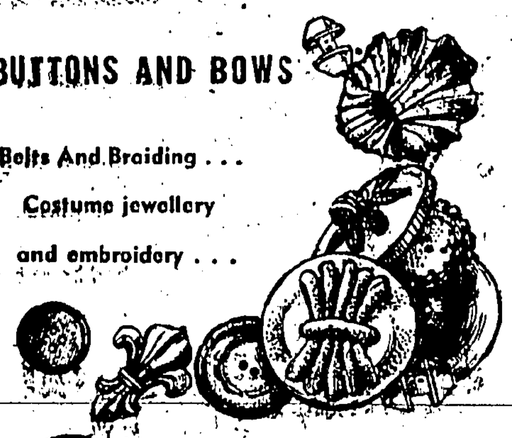
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Beauty In The Hot Weather

BEAUTY AND THE BATH

By CLAUDIA

Baths are so much a matter of routine, like cleaning teeth or combing hair, that it is easy to forget that they can also be one of the most important of our aids to beauty. The whole tone and condition of the body can be improved if we make the best use of baths.

One of the more thankless tasks of the beautician or health expert is that of trying to persuade people not to take their baths too hot. Except in special cases where hot baths are medically recommended the bath temperature should never be raised above the normal temperature of the body.

Really hot baths are not only relaxing and enervating, they can be actually harmful nothing could be worse for the general well-being of the body. Yet we still have our hot water fiends who like nothing more than a good long soak in a steaming hot bath.

Fortunately for beauty, however, this is just the sort of weather to discourage them. Instead of warming the marrow of our chilly bones, we look to the bath to cool our heated bodies!

So, turn off the "hot" tap and on with the "cold". It is no exaggeration to say that cold showers can work miracles and here the cold water is never cold enough to shock the most sensitive system. Cold water can brace and tauten slack tissue, make flabby flesh become firmer and help dull, blotchy skin become clear and fresh. It's all a matter of stirring up the circulation and sending the blood tingling through each laziest little capillary.

Cold Showers

The morning is the best time for your cold splash which starts you on the day with a sparkling sensation of well-being. A cold shower first thing in the morning is a bracing tonic to every tissue. And some authorities even recommend it as a sovereign remedy for that morning malady commonly known as a "hang-over"!

If you get hot and sticky during the day, try a sponge down with ice-cold water laced with lavender water, toilet cologne or toilet water of your favourite fragrance. The astringent action of the spirit in these lotions will refresh the pores and cool the skin. Don't rub briskly to dry yourself, or you will only open the pores again and start perspiring afresh. Wrap a large towel around and pat yourself dry. Then dust lightly with talcum powder scented to match your toilet water, of course.

Warm Baths

Have your warm bath in the evening when you have a few minutes to relax after the day's activities. Temperature 98½ degrees, no more...remember?... and a handful of bath salts in your chosen perfume, to match your other bath accessories. Effervescent bath tablets which aerate the water with bubbles of carbon dioxide are delightfully refreshing. Or you may prefer a few drops of bath oil, which will cling to the skin as you leave the water.

If you are particular about toilet perfumes, you will prefer a plain castile soap, unscented but easy for lathering. Work up a good lather and stimulate the circulation by rubbing briskly with a small and not too hard nailbrush, or a coarse facecloth for the more tender parts. Pay special attention to elbows and knees, those bony parts where the skin so easily becomes rough and red. You will need a long-handled back brush or a home made "back cloth", just a roll of coarse towelling with a loop of tape at each end. The loops can be slipped over the fingers while you work the soapy roll over your back.

Just as you tone your face with skin tonic after cleansing, so you must tone up your body with friction lotion or toilet water after a warm bath. Even the most tepid bath will cause the pores to open a little, so spray yourself with toilet cologne and it will evaporate in a few seconds, leaving the skin with a fresh sensation.

When you have finished drying yourself, wait a minute or two before powdering. The pores are still open and you don't want to clog them with powder while they are relaxed. In this hot weather one often feels quite damp after the coolest bath, so wait a little until the pores have closed. Then a dusting with your delicately perfumed bath powder will give your skin a silken smoothness and leave a final suggestion of your favourite perfume.

Lovely Sonia Holm, British screen actress, in a new, low-cut evening gown designed by a famous London dress maker. Miss Holm featured the dress in Eagle-Lion's "Warning To Wantons."

Ann Temple

Marriage By Mail

Here is a comment on Marriage Bureaux from a husband and wife who should know. They met through one:

We are happily married as a result of a correspondence started through a marriage bureau.

We are both in our twenties and met during the war, when, as we found social functions such as dances, etc., irksome, there seemed to be no other way of finding a life partner.

There are certain decided advantages in a marriage bureau method of meeting possible wives and husbands:

1. The applicant knows the correspondents do want to marry. Shy people are thus over one hurdle at once.

2. The applicant meets or corresponds with others from all parts of the country. His or her work or home may be among quite uncongenial people from whom it is next to impossible to find anyone.

3. Most bureaux classify applicants according to taste and interests. Thus correspondents know at once addresses forwarded to them will be of persons with like interests, hobbies, etc., as themselves.

4. The most important thing to realise is that marriage bureaux only provide facilities for men and women to meet each other. Afterwards the courtship and marriage may be as romantic as they please.—G.

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I have come to the conclusion that my boy friend is tight with his money. I have tried to persuade myself that he is just careful, but have had to give up.

We plan to be engaged soon, so I would like to know whether you consider marriage with such a man advisable.—CYNTHIA.

You draw a fine between "tight" and "careful." You can draw yet another between "tight" and "mean."

It is possible to be tight with money as an attitude to money alone. Upbringing and circumstances may account for it. But cast about to discover whether there is a streak of meanness running through all his motives and actions.

In deciding, bear in mind that an infallible characteristic of meanness is cruelty. If you detect that, you might well think twice before marrying him. It is a most unhappy fate to be yoked to cruelty.

If you make out it is only carefulness of money over-stretched, and he is in other ways comfortable and humane, go ahead.

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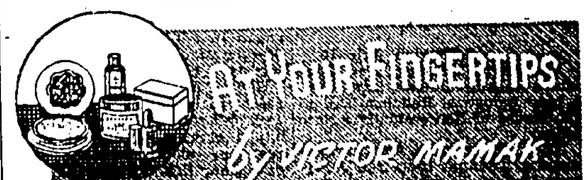

"Dear Mr. Mamak,

What can I use to bleach my hands? My hands are discoloured. Please answer"—NORA.

The answer is a lemon. Cut a lemon into half and rub it gently over your hands for a few minutes. Wash your hands after about half an hour and use a hand lotion. At night you may use a hand cream containing lanolin, in order to offset the drying effect of lemon.

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"Dear Mr. Mamak,

I have a "problem skin," at least I think so. I go through a proper cleansing routine every night, and also make use of a reliable night cream. I use excellent cosmetics yet my skin remains bad. It never appears clean. What should I do? Please advise."—H.S.

The secret of a clean, clear skin does not lie in pots and jars of beauty preparations alone. If you want to clean up bad skin, you must watch your diet. Difficult, isn't it? Lots of water, fruit juices and green vegetables are important in your diet. Lay off sweet, rich and greasy foods.

Exercise, lots of fresh air, rest and relaxation will aid tremendously in clearing up a "problem skin." Bathing and scrubbing the body vigorously will help in stimulating the circulation which is most important for a healthy, clear skin. Most people do not realise it, but an unhealthy scalp is very often responsible for bad skin. Hair and scalp must always be kept clean. The health of a scalp has a very definite effect on the skin.

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If you have any beauty problems, send them in to Victor Mamak c/o The Sunday Herald, and they will be answered in these columns.

RECIPE

Raisin Tart

1 cup seedless raisins.
2 eggs.
2-3 cup brown sugar.
2-3 cup golden syrup.
1 3 cup butter or margarine.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
Pastry shell.

Place raisins in a sieve over boiling water. Cover and steam 10 minutes. Beat eggs and sugar until thick; add golden syrup, melted butter or margarine, raisins and vanilla. Pour into unbaked pastry shell and cook in a slow oven about one hour.

Renommée

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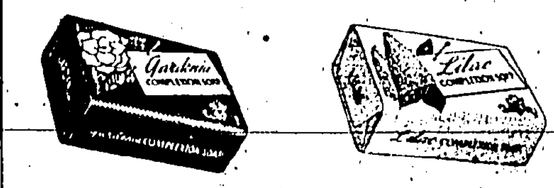

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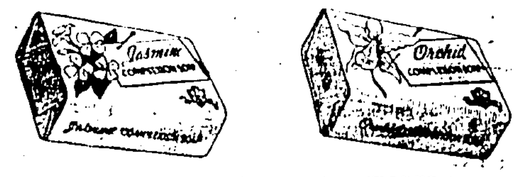

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"TJITJALENGKA"	21st July	
"TJIBADAK"	2nd August	21st July
"TJISADANE"	18th August	4th August

MANILA

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJITJALENGKA"		20th July
"RUYS"	18th July	
"TJIKAMPEK"	19th July	
"TASMAN"	26th July	4th August
"TJIBADAK"	2nd August	

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJITJALENGKA" *	21st July	
"VAN RIEMSDIJK"	1st August	23rd July
"VAN HEUTSZ" §	16th August	8th August

* Not calling at Penang & Belawan Deli
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EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJIKAMPEK" *	19th July	In Port.
"RUYS"	10th Aug.	In port
"TJIBODAS" *	7th Sept.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	5th Oct.	18th Aug.

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	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"RUYS"	18th July	7th August

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"AMSTELDIJK"	End July	
"RIJNKERK"	End Aug.	Early Aug.
"MARIEKERK"	End Sept.	Early Sept.

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JAPAN

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JAPAN FIGHTING FOR ECONOMIC EXISTENCE

Tokyo, July 16.

Japan, like Britain, is fighting for her very economic existence.

Only the pouring of American dollars into Japan and the stabilising effect of the presence of American troops have prevented the country from going under.

The country is still suffering from its complete defeat in war. The old Asiatic markets that Japan once enjoyed, and the old sources of supply, are gradually slipping behind the Iron Curtain.

Practically every economic evil in the world has popped up here at sometime since the surrender — black markets, indifference, smugglers, speculators, acute shortages, and so on down the line.

Emphasis in General MacArthur's Headquarters today is on Japan's export programme. This is the key to the situation. If exports go up, Japan is saved. If exports fizzle out, so does Japan.

Japan must export in order to have dollars with which to buy the food and raw materials to keep the country going. Today the export programme picture is anything but cheerful and General MacArthur's experts are frantically trying to raise Japan's dollar income.

Since the end of the war, Japan has imported $1,614,000,000 worth of goods. On the other hand, her exports have totalled only $636,000,000—some $979,000,000 below what she spent on goods brought into the country.

Backs To Wall

This far, General MacArthur's officials have been slow to let the Japanese advertise or send salesmen abroad. Now, with their backs to the wall, Allied officials have decided to let the Japanese spend some of their scare dollars to promote trade—a step that some foreign experts advocated long ago.

One of the biggest problems witch has to be faced is that of getting the Japanese masses to realise their plight.

Although the country is engaged in a life-or-death struggle, co-operation in important quarters is often lacking.

Some Allied quarters think 1949 will be the critical year and will show whether or not Japan has a chance to compete in the post-war world. At the same time, they believe the road ahead will be extremely rough because of the present trend away from a seller's market to a buyer's market—a condition which will not help Japan solve the problem of increasing her exports.—United Press.

AMERICAN TRADING WITH UK

Washington, July 16.

The U.S. Census Bureau reported today that American exports to Britain increased in May to US$76,200,000 compared with US$61,600,000 in April.

Imports from Britain also rose in May, reaching US$15,200,000 compared with US$14,100,000 in April.

The monthly average for imports from Britain the first quarter of 1949 was US$22,700,000.

The moderate rally in May might furnish some encouragement to Britons who feared that the American business decline would mean a continuing fall in British imports.

The Bureau does not know how much of British imports from the U.S. represented cash purchases and how much were gifts under the Marshall Plan.

American exports to European countries in May declined in contrast to the rise to Britain. They totalled US$376,600,000 compared with US$381,200,000 in April. This compared with the 1948 monthly average of US$340,100,000 and the monthly average for the first quarter of 1949 of US$372,300,000.

Shipments to France dropped most in May, falling to US$410,000,000 compared with US$56,800,000 in April. Imports from Europe continued a steady decline, falling to US$50,800,000 compared with the first quarter average of US$78,500,000 and the 1948 average of US$77,300,000.

United States exports to China plunged from US$22,700,000 in April to US$5,100,000 in May.

U.S. imports from China, however, increased from US$3,000,000 in April to US$6,900,000 in May.—Associated Press.

NZ INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Wellington, July 15.

Mr. Angus McLagan, New Zealand's Labour Minister, introduced a new Industrial Relations Bill in the House of Representatives here today.

The Bill provides for a permanent National Industrial Advisory Council in which employers' and workers' representatives can discuss their common problems.

The Council will recommend means for improving industrial relations, and make suggestions on industrial welfare.—Reuter.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, July 16.

A steady run of selling orders sent most grains lower. Selling appeared to be based mainly on an easier trend in cash grain markets. Wheat closed 1-2 cents lower.

July $1.97 1-2.
September $2.00—$1.99 7.
December $2.02 5—$2.02.
Corn 2-3 lower to 1-4 higher.
Oats 1—1-cent lower.
Rye 2-1—2-2 higher.
Soybeans 1 lower to 2 higher.
—Associated Press.

LONDON STOCKS

London, July 16.

Announcement of the 25 per cent cut in dollar import spending was received calmly on the Stock Exchange. Initial losses in issues most likely to be selected were later recovered. Industrial shares closed firm and British gilt edged securities and oils also closed higher. Kaffirs remained quiet and slightly lower.

Financial Times' index 105.1.—Associated Press.

NY COTTON

New York, July 16.

Cotton, futures turned firm after early irregularity and closed 15 cents to 75 cents a bale higher.

October 29.64.
December 29.54-55.
March 29.48.
May 29.35 bid.
July 28.78 bid.
October 26.61.
Middling Spot 33.16 nominal.
—Associated Press.

CUNARD CRUISE

New York, July 15.

The Cunard White Star Line announced today the 27,000-ton luxury liner Britannic will sail from New York next January 28 after a 54-day cruise to the Mediterranean to visit 19 ports in Africa, the Middle East and Europe.—Reuter.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, July 16.

Ship arrivals: General Daniel Sultan from Yokohama, California Bear from Yokohama, General A. W. Brewster from Yokohama.

Seattle, ship departures: Sunnyville for Manila Lone Star State for Yokohama.

GERMAN FILM COMBINE SALE

Frankfurt, July 15.

Mr. John J. McCloy, United States High Commissioner designate in German, said today that he and General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Military Governor, have approved a Military Government law providing for the sale by State Governments of the assets of the Grunt UFA film combine.

It is subject to suggestions by German officials, he added.

Mr. McCloy, who was speaking at a press conference, also announced that a proposal to build a power station for Western Berlin has been referred to the Economic Co-Operation Administration for advice on financing.—Reuter.

ANCIENT CITY DISCOVERED

Moscow, July 16.

It was announced today that excavation of the ancient Armenian city of Teshebani had brought the discovery of a fortress dating to the Seventh Century B.C., with a 10-room royal palace. One local burial mound contained a skeleton and coins.

The most interesting discovery was bread from millet, baked 2,600 years ago. There were also remants of the Royal table as well as woollen cloth, thread and other household objects.—United Press.

CIVIL SERVANT'S BEQUEST

London, July 16.

William T. Chapman, retired civil servant in Malaya, directed in his will made public today that his ashes be sunk in Penang harbour.

Mr. Chapman was a former Secretary for Chinese Affairs in Malaya. His will provided £50 to pay the captain of a ship to sink his ashes and those of his late wife as near as possible to the Northern entrance of the harbour.—Associated Press.

STETTIN ZONE FOR CZECHS

Prague, July 16.

Poland is giving Czechoslovakia a zone in the former German port of Stetting.

In addition, the Czechs are to participate in a project to improve navigability of the Oder River, which now forms the border between post-war Poland and truncated Germany.—Associated Press.

Chinese Reds Back World Federation

San Francisco, July 15.

Chinese Communist support for the World Federation of Trade Unions was voiced by the New China News Agency in a broadcast from Peiping picked up here tonight.

The Agency said that Chinese workers fully support the aims and principles of the WFTU and that they will contribute their strength towards quickening the success of the cause of the world's working class "for defending peace and winning democracy and happiness."—Reuter.

BRITAIN SETS A RECORD

Detroit, July 16.

Britain led the world motor car exports in 1948 despite the fact that the United States produced 85 per cent of the total output, an industry statistician reported today.

It is believed to be the first time in motor history that any country has beaten the United States.

The U.S. produced 3,909,270 cars and exported 217,911, six per cent.

Britain exported 68 per cent or 226,911 of her 334,820 cars.

The world produced a total of 6,436,000 vehicles in 1948, including 4,666,800 passenger cars.

Fifty-eight million vehicles are now operating in the world, 41,000,000 of them in the United States.

The registration of 446,251 new cars in May set a post-war record in the United States.—Associated Press.

"MUTINY" SHIP ESCORTED OUT

Rotterdam, July 15.

River police today escorted to sea the Greek Liberty ship Krete on which, according to M Constantin Rendis, Greek Minister of Public Order, a mutiny occurred in mid-Atlantic on a voyage from Hampton Roads Virginia.

Four Greek police officials, who were sent to Rotterdam at the request of the Krete's owners, did not sail with the ship.

The Greek Ministry of Merchant Marine and the ship's captain denied that there had been a mutiny. Ten members of the crew who disappeared during the ship's stay at Rotterdam were replaced by four Dutch seamen before the ship sailed.

The Krete's destination is believed to be either Ancona or Venice.—Reuter.

Money Market

US dollars fluctuated between US$6.06 and $6.10 yesterday in a quiet market.

TT was put through at HK$6.11½ and 6.12.

Sterling dropped to HK$17.25.

Australian pounds were also weaker at HK$14.

Piastres dropped to HK$12.90 a 100.

Ticals were unchanged at HK$26.30 a 100.

NEI Guilders were slightly higher at HK$35 a 100.

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New York Stock Exchange

New York, July 16.

Agreement on a truce forestalling the threatened steel strike steadied the stock market. Leading steel stocks converted losses into gains, but in general declines predominated at the close. Transfers 800,000 shares.

Among gainers were National Steel, Woolworth, Caterpillar Tractor, Allied Chemical, Northern Pacific, Eastern Airlines.

Stumblers included United Fruit, Consolidated Edison, Phelps Dodge, American Woollen, Union Pacific, Sinclair Oil, 20th Century Fox.

Dow Jones averages:

Stocks 61.04.
20 Industrials 173.48.
15 Rails —44.32.
10 Utilities 55.39.
Adams Express 18⅜.
Alaska Juneau 3.
American Can 92¾.
American Smelting 45⅝.
American Telephone 141¼.
American Tobacco 70.
American Waterworks 7¼.
Anaconda Copper 28⅝.
Aviation Corp. 5¼.
Baldwin Locomotive 9⅝.
Barnsdall 44⅜.
Bendix Aviation 79⅛.
Bethlehem Steel 26⅝.
Boeing Aircraft 19⅝.
Borden Co. 40⅛.
Canadian Pacific 12⅜.
J. I. Case 35⅝.
Chrysler 49.
Colgate 38.
Commercial Solvents 14⅞.
Corn Products 59⅝.
Du Pont 47¾.
General Electric 36⅝.
General Motors 59⅛.
Goodrich 58⅜.
Goodyear 40⅛.
Homestake Mining 41⅝.
International Harvester 25⅞.
International Paper 46.
International Tel & Tel 8⅝.
Johns Manville 37⅜.
Kennecott Copper 47⅛.
Montgomery Ward 52⅛.
National Distillers 18⅝.
National Lead 32.
New York Central 10⅝.
Packard Motors 3½.
Pan American Airways 8⅛.
Pennsylvania R.R. 14⅝.
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Remington Rand 9⅜.
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Reynolds Tobacco 37⅝.
Sears Roebuck 38⅜.
Shell Oil 33½.
Socony Vacuum 15⅛.
Southern Pacific 33⅝.
Standard Brands 19⅜.
Standard Oil of Calif. 61½.
Standard Oil of N.J. 66½.
Studebaker 20⅛.
Union Bag 23.
Union Carbide 38.
U.S. Rubber 36.
U.S. Steel 22¾.
Westinghouse 23⅝.
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 61⅝.
Gen. Pub. Utilities 13⅝.
—Associated Press.

STOCKS EFFECT PRODUCTION

Tokyo, July 16.

Accumulating stockpiles in Japanese factories are depressing the production of major industrial commodities.

This is the opinion of the Trade-Industry Ministry which, in a survey of 200 major items, concluded that increasing stockpiles have depressed the production of 70 per cent of the items surveyed.

Pig-iron is among 36 items which, the survey finds, has a rising production curve accompanied by decreasing stockpiles. Thirteen items also have a rising output index but with stockpiles remaining constant.

Among stockpiles that are increasing are included crude oil, tin and aluminium.—Reuter.

Notice To Consignees

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TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES via JAPAN

"President McKinley"	Arr	July 20	Sail	July 21
"President Taft"	Arr.	July 27	Sail	July 28

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"President Harrison"	Arr.	July 17	Sail	July 17
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"President Buchanan"	Arr.	Aug. 9	Sail	Aug. 11

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Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Arrivals

YESTERDAY

Alvazosky (Metropolitan Co.) 1938, 1,850 tons, ex-Chimanjo ..... RC
Genna (Wallem) Norwegian, 3,116 tons, ex-Korea ..... Yuanmoli
Mandeville (Thoresen), Norwegian, 3,550 tons, ex-Yokohama A2
Shengking (B & S) British, 1,492 tons, ex-Swatow ..... Cust Whf.
Tantara (EAC) Canadian, 4,298 tons, ex-Manila A7
Tasmoo (RIL) Dutch, 3,072 tons, ex-Swatow A11

TODAY

President Harrison (APL) ex-Atlantic Coast.

TOMORROW

Frondell (Thoresen) ex-Atlantic Coast
Nankin (Mac Mac) ex-Australia.

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Blankenau (EAC) for Manila
China Mail (Everett) for Kobe
Dalhousie (Mac Mac) for Singapore
Lee Chee (Mine Sang) for Canton
Mitsuya (Jardine) for Kobe.
Tasmoo (RIL) for Amoy.

TODAY

Dona Nati (Rama) for Atlantic Coast
President Harrison (APL) for New York
Shengking (B & S) for Swatow
Star Betelgeuse (Everett) for Singapore
Tantalus (B & S) for Europe.
Tsinan (B & S) for Swatow
Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.

TOMORROW

Chino Yen (CMSN) for Foochow.
Rayo (RIL) for Japan
Wosang (Jardine) for Saigon.

Vessels In Port

Alvazosky (Metro)	S/C
An Dak (Chung Hsing)	K. Bay
Arov (Wallem)	D.
Banksia (B & S)	T. Dk
Benduran (Lowley)	S/C
Bath (RIL)	T. Dk
Chacksang (Jardine)	K. Dk.
Changte (Mac Mac)	K. Whf
Cultex II (Texaco)	LCK
Chiping (CMSN)	Co's Whf
Christobal (Rama)	Hilo
Cloverbank (York Yuen)	Ymt.
Coben (Wallem)	Ymt
Dah Kiang (Yuen Tung)	Ymt.
Dah Tung (SC)	S/C
Dona Nati (Rama)	A1.
Dr. Angler (MM)	T. Dk
Empire Jamaica (Wong Kee)	T. Dk
Fort Cardoso (Lowley)	HKE Whf
Fort Charlotte (Admiralty)	R.N.Y
Gyma (Tripoli)	S/C
Green Ranger (NSO)	R.N.
Hai Lee (CMSN)	S/C
Hai Lin (CMSN)	Yau
Hai Sin (CMSN)	A15
Hai Tung (Hop Lee)	W. Whf
Hai Wong (Lo Inst)	B/
Hai Yang (H-By)	Ymt
Hai Ying (Wallem)	R/C
Hattiemere (Bank)	A16
Hoang (B & S)	S/C
Ho Mou (Ming Sung)	K. Dk
Hong Yung (CMSN)	SS. Po
Hwah Sung (Wallem)	Ymt.
Joseph S (PCM)	K. Dk.
John Luckenbach	K. Whf
Katkoria (Wallem)	Ymt.
King Hang (Chung Hsing)	K. Dk.
Kingsborough (HK Exc)	H26
Lady Woltmer (Wallem)	Ymt
Lee Kung	H22
Leong Bee (Yick Yuen)	Ymt.
Mandeville (Thoresen)	A2
Mansang (Jardine)	K. Bay
Ming 302 (CMSN)	Co's Whf.
Nan Guan (Chun Wo Shee)	Ymt.
New Shanghai (Trinity)	Ymt
Nowruz (G. Livingston)	S/C
Oriental (Wallem)	H23
Pakhoi (B & S)	H14
Paulus Rook (Callex)	K. Bay
Pei Heng (Cheong Tung)	T. Wan
Ping An (EA)	T. Dk.
Poyang (B & S)	T. Dk.
Pronto (Karsten)	H13
Prosper (Lorsen)	H12
Rum River (Callex)	K. Bay
Roys (RIL)	A9
Sandviken (Jebsen)	Ymt
Sin Soon Lee (Yee Sang Hong)	Ymt
Soochow (B&S)	T. Dk.
Standella (B & S)	K. Dk.
Stanvac (SO)	LCK
Star Betelgeuse (Everett)	S/C
Store Nordiske (GNTC)	HH Bay
San Ricardo (Messageries)	T. Dk.
Shengking (B & S)	Cust. Whf.
Tai Ping Shan (APC)	APC Whf
Taiposhan (Shun Cheong)	SS. Po
Tantara (EA)	A7
Tantalus (B & S)	Holt's Whf.
Tsinan (B & S)	H10
Tung Fung (CSN)	S/C
Tung Zhong (Grimble)	Ymt.
Union Trader (Cook Hong)	S/C
Valve (North West Co.)	K. Bay
Way Nam (Kung Dah)	S/C
Wingsang (Jardine)	J. Whf.
Yumen (Ming Sung)	Will. Whf.

Vessels Due From

SOUTH AFRICA

August
Straat Malakka (RIL) 15

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

July
Belleville (Thoresen) 25
Fernfield (Thoresen) ex-Gulf ports 18
Pioneer Cove (USL) 22
Pioneer Sea (USL) from Atlantic Ports 19
Pres. Harrison (APL) 17
Sally Maersk (Jebsen) 22
Telcape (Dodwell) 25

August
Arnold Maersk (Jebsen) 2
Ajax (B & S) ex-New York 23
Ferndale (Thoresen) 15
Granville (Thoresen) 20
Oregon (Dodwell) ex-Vancouver .. 2
Grete Maersk (Jardine) 17
Mallory Lykes (APL) ex-Corpus Christi 27
Montana (Dodwell) 10
Paducah Victory (USL) 13
Pioneer Tide (USL) 14
Pres. Buchanan (APL) ex-Boston.
Pres. Fillmore (APL) ex-New York 10
Steel Vendor (Gilman) 8
Tudor (Dodwell) 12

September
Benares (Rama) ..... Early
Fernhill (Thoresen) 10
Steel Age (Gilman) 1

October
Fernbay (Thoresen) 10
Hopeville (Thoresen) 4

PACIFIC COAST

July
Bougainville (Bank) 22
Iran Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 31
Pres. McKinley (APL) 20
Pres. Taft (APL) ex-San Francisco 27
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-San Francisco 30
Pres. Wilson (APL) 31
Sea Serpent (USL) ex-San Francisco 19
Wyoming (Dodwell) 20

August
Charles E Dant (Dodwell) ex-Los Angeles 4
Flying Dragon (USL) ex-San Francisco 16
General Gordon (APL) 6
Luxembourg Victory (USL) ex-San Francisco 13
Sunnyville (Bank) 21
Surprise (USL) ex-San Francisco 2

September
Tabsis (EA) ..... Mid

AUSTRALIA

July
Hindustan (Jardine) ex-Adelaide .. 27
Nankin (Mac Mac) 18

August
Arm (Dodwell) 28
Baluchistan (Jardine) ex-Melbourne 23

CHINA

July
Choysang (Jardine) ex-Inchon 21
Shengking (B & S) ex-Swatow 19
Taksang (Jardine) ex-Keelung 19
Teiwo (B & S) ex-Swatow 19 21
Wingsang (Jardine) ex-Keelung 23

EUROPE

July
Andre Lebon (MM) ex-Marseilles Red
Antoinette (Lowley) ex-Straits 13
Benarkirk (Lowley) ..... End
Champollion (MM) 29
Cheyenne (Jardine) ex-London 26
Mercedes (EA) .....
Nordvest (Thoresen) ..... End
Oyanax (MM) 29
Oyanda (MM) ex-Europe 19
Shirala (Mac Mac) 24

August
Antenor (B & S) via Straits 14
Benarkirk (Lowley) ..... End
Benbrack (Lowley) ..... End
Benrosa (Lowley) ..... End
Benrusk (Lowley) via Singapore 1
Caldbec (B & S) 31
Carthage (P & O) ex-London 1
Clytoneus (B & S) ex-U.K. 2
Corfu (P & O) ex-London 29
Denbighshire (Jardine) 12
Glenroy (Jardine) 27
Malaya (EA) ..... Mid
Matua (B & S) via Straits 6
Mindoro (Gilman) 3
Ruynass (Thoresen) ..... Mid
Rijnkerk (RIL) ..... Early
Somali (Mac Mac) ex-London 2
Travancore (Gilman) ..... End

September
Benmacdhui (Lowley) ..... 1st half
Canton (Mac Mac) ex-London 3
Glenartney (Jardine) 13
Glenorchy (Jardine) 27
Mariekerk (RIL) ..... Early
Morelia (East Asiatic) ..... Mid
Trevelyan (Mac Mac) ex-London .. 20

INDIA

July
Shirala (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta 25

August
Sardhana (Mac Mac) ex-Calcutta 6

JAPAN

July
Ainsteibeck (RIL) ..... End
Eelcon (B & S) ex-Kobe 14
Garbeta (Mac Mac) 11
Kafuligan (Jardine) 11
Poelau (B & S) ex-Kobe 14

August
Java (Mac Mac) ..... Early
Pioneer Sea (USL) 2
Roys (RIL) 7
Star Arcturus (Everett) 8

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
Hangchow (Jardine) ex-Swatow 21
Neachieve (B & S) ex-Bangkok 21
Norvernett (Everett) ex-Manila .. 19
Pres. Monroe (APL) ex-Manila .. 26
Pres. Tyler (APL) ex-Singapore .. 30
Tjibadak (RIL) ex-Java 21
Turks Head (Everett) ex-Singapore 28
Van Riemsdijk (RIL) ex-Singapore 22

August
Bradeverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 5
Leneverett (Everett) ex-Singapore 1
Paducah Victory (USL) ex-Manila 30
Pioneer Sea (USL) ex-Manila 4
Pioneer Cove (USL) ex-Manila 7
Pres Grant (APL) ex-Sourabaya .. 20
Tasman (RIL) ex-Manila 4
Van Heutsz (RIL) ex-Singapore .. 5

September
Pioneer Tide (USL) ex-Manila 4

SOUTH AMERICA

August
Straat Malakka (RIL) 18

Sailings To

AFRICA

July
19 Tjikampek (RIL).

August
10 Ruys (RIL).

September
7 Tjibodas (RIL).

October
5 Straat Malakka (RIL).

AUSTRALIA

August
1 Kafiristan (Jardine) for Brisbane.
13 Changte (B & S) for Sydney.
21 Nankin (Mac Mac).
End. Hindustan (Jardine) for Sydney.

AMERICA

ATLANTIC COAST

July
17 Dona Nati (Rama) (calls Japan).
17 Pres. Harrison (APL) for New York.
19 City of Alma (Wallem) for New York.
19 Fernfield (Thoresen).
19 Trein Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
30 Belleville (Thoresen).
31 Peter Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.

August
3 Oregon (Dodwell).
6 Pioneer Sea (USL).
9 Pioneer Cove (USL) for New York.
10 Pioneer Lake (USL).
11 Pres. Fillmore (APL) for New York.
15 Marchen Maersk (Jebsen) for New York.
Mid. Dona Aniceta (Rama).
18 Meredith Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
20 Montana (Dodwell) for Vancouver.
21 Granville (Thoresen).
21 Javanese Prince (Jardine) for Boston.

September
1 Paducah Victory (USL) for New York.
8 Sally Maersk (Jebsen).
6 Pioneer Tide (USL).
8 Allegheny Victory (Gilman).
11 Fernhill (Thoresen).

PACIFIC COAST

July
20 Temeraire (Dodwell).
21 Pres. McKinley (APL) for San Francisco.
21 Sea Serpent (USL) for San Francisco.
21 Wyoming (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
28 Pres. Taft (APL) for San Francisco
29 Castleville (Bank) for San Francisco

August
1 Iran Victory (USL) for San Francisco.
2 Pacific Transport (Jardine) for San Francisco.
3 Pres. Wilson (APL) for San Francisco via Japan.
4 Surprise (USL) for San Francisco.
5 Charles E Dant (Dodwell) for Los Angeles.
6 Triton (Dodwell).
7 General Gordon (APL) for San Francisco.
12 Luxembourg Victory (USL) for San Francisco.
19 Flying Dragon (USL) for San Francisco.
18 Meredith Victory (Gilman) via Panama.
18 Philippine Transport (Jardine).

September
7 Pres. Tyler (APL) for Los Angeles.
8 Steel Age (Gilman).
18 Tudor (Dodwell).

CHINA

July
17 Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
17 Tsinan (B & S) for Swatow.
17 & 25 Wingsang (Jardine) for Keelung.
18 Chino Yen (CMSN) for Foochow.
19 Leneverett (Everett) for Shanghai.
19 Shengking (B & S) for Swatow.
24 Chaksang (Jardine) for Inchon.
31 Turks Head (Everett) for Shanghai.

August
8 Suidhana (Mac Mac) for Amoy.

EUROPE

July
1 Tantalus (B & S) for Liverpool.
21 Glenavery (Jardine) for Aden, Suez, London.
26 Andalucia (B & S) for Genoa.
28 Benlomond (Lowley) for Genoa.
30 Champollion (MM) for Marseilles.
30 Tai Ping Yang (Thoresen) via Manila.
31 Surat (Mac Mac) for London.
End Benrorrich (Lowley).
End Amstedijk (RIL) via Manilla.

August
Beg. Mongolia (EA).
5 Carthage (P & O) for London.
2nd half. Benduran (Lowley)
9 Autolycus (B & S) for Liverpool.
15 Mongolia (East Asia) Aden, Port Said
15 Nordvest (Thoresen) via Manila.
Mid Oyanax (MM).
20 Mindoro (Gilman).
25 Clytoneus (B & S).
28 Somali (Mac Mac) for Antwerp.
End Rijnkerk (RIL) via Manila.

September
Early. Benrobrough (Lowley).
Beg Malaya (EA).
2 Corfu (P & O) for London.
1st half. Benalbanach (Lowley).
1 half Benrosa (Lowley).
Mid Ruynass (Thoresen).
2nd half Benmacdhui (Lowley).
30 Canton (Mac Mac) for London.
End Mariekerk (RIL) via Manila.

October
Beg Morelia (EA).
1st half Rennevis (Lowley)
28 Carthage (Mac Mac) for London.

INDIA

August
Early Java (Mac Mac) for Bombay.

JAPAN

July
18 Ruys (RIL).
21 Eelcon (B & S) for Yokohama.
25 Changte (B & S) for Kure.
29 Star Arcturus (Everett) for Kobe.
31 Soerat (P & O) for Japan.
30 Oyanax (MM).
31 Turks Head (Everett) for Kobe.
2nd Hindustan (Jardine) for Kobe.

August
3 Leneverett (Everett) for Kobe.
5 Mindoro (Gilman) for Kobe and Yokohama.
27 Baluchistan (Jardine) for Kobe.

SOUTH EAST PORTS

July
17 Star Betelgeuse (Everett) for Singapore.
18 Ruys (RIL) for Manila.
18 Wosang (Jardine) for Saigon.
19 Tjikampek (RIL) for Manila.
20 San Ricardo (MM) for Haiphong.
21 Norvernett (Everett) for Singapore.
21 Oswego (MM) for Saigon.
21 Pioneer Sea (USL) for Manila.
21 Taksang (Jardine) for Singapore.
21 Tjitjadengka (RIL) for Manila.
21 Tjitjadengka (RIL) for Singapore.
22 Dr Yersin (MM) for Campha.
23 Bougainville (Bank) for Singapore.
23 Lezardrieux (MM) for Haiphong.
23 Pioneer Cove (USL) for Manila.
24 Hai Hate (CMSN) for Singapore.
25 Prudence (B & S) for Bangkok.
26 Tasman (RIL) for Manila.
27 Fulcien (B & S) for Singapore.
27 Hai Lee (Thoresen) for Singapore.
31 Pres. Tyler (APL) for Singapore.

August
1 Garbeta (Mac Mac) for Singapore.
1 Van Riemsdijk (RIL) for Singapore.
2 Kwetyang (B & S) for Saigon.
2 Tjibadak (RIL) for Manila.
2 Tjibadak (RIL) for Java.
3 Bradeverett (Everett) for Manila.
4 Steel Vendor (Gilman) for Saigon, Bangkok and Batavia.
6 Shirala (Mac Mac) for Straits.
10 Star Arcturus (Everett) for Manila.
14 Paducah Victory (USL) for Manila.
16 Van Heutsz (RIL) for Singapore.
18 Tjisalak (RIL) for Java Ports.
19 Pioneer Tide (USL) for Manila.
19 Mallory Lykes (APL) for Manila.
27 Pres. Grant (APL) for Sourabaya, Batavia.

September
2 Steel Age (Gilman) for Batavia.

SOUTH AMERICA

July
19 Tjikampek (RIL).

August
10 Ruys (RIL).

September
7 Tjibodas (RIL).

October
5 Straat Malakka (RIL).

ROUND THE WORLD

July
28 Pres. Monroe (APL).
11 Pres. Buchanan (APL).

CNAC Workers Sign Non-Red Guarantees

The Chinese National Aviation Corporation are at present requesting their Chinese employees to sign forms to guarantee their fellow workers.

Since July 1, papers labelled "joint guarantee" forms, were issued to CNAC's employees to fill in and sign.

The forms which called for "right-kind of idea," "non pro-communist" and "strictly not a spy," were signed by the employees who guarantee each other.

Four employees represent a group and by signing the forms, they promise that they are not Reds.

According to an official of the Corporation the signed forms were forwarded to the Chinese Ministry of Communication for reference.

The official also explained that if one of the four signed employees in a group is found to be a Communist, the other three will suffer the consequences.

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

Arrivals

TODAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 5.40 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Haibow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.; ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Guam: 11 a.m.
CATC ex-Chungking via Canton: 2.18 p.m.
CPA ex-Manila: 12 noon; ex-Singapore via Bangkok: 2.20 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Okinawa: 12.45 p.m.
TAL ex-Guam and ex-Tokyo.

TOMORROW

ALASKA ex-Tokyo.
AIR FRANCE ex-Paris, Saigon: 12.30 p.m.
CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Foochow via Amoy: 4.50 p.m.; ex-Taipeh (direct): 4.20 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Haibow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.
PAA ex-San Francisco via Honolulu, Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila: 1.45 p.m.; ex-New York via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok: 2.15 p.m.
BOAC ex-Singapore: 4.45 p.m.; ex-Tokyo: 6 p.m.; ex-Southampton/Calcutta: 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

CNAC ex-Canton: 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 1.20 p.m., 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 6 p.m., 6 p.m.; ex-Swatow: 11.30 a.m.; ex-Amoy via Swatow: 5.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh via Amoy: 6.45 p.m.; ex-Taipeh (direct): 4.20 p.m.; ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 8.35 p.m.; ex-Chungking via Kweilin, Liuchow, Canton: 4.40 p.m.; ex-Haibow via Canton: 8.40 p.m.
CATC ex-Taipeh via Amoy, Swatow: 6.20 p.m.; ex-Kunming via Liuchow, Canton: 6.30 p.m.
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HK AIRWAYS ex-Canton: 10.40 a.m., 1 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 7 p.m.
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CATC for Chungking: 7 a.m.; Canton: 3.15 p.m.
HK AIRWAYS for Canton: 9 a.m.: 11.15 a.m., 3 p.m., 5.15 p.m.
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BOAC for Southampton via Bangkok: 8.30 a.m.

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CATC for Taipeh via Swatow, Amoy: 8 a.m.; Kunming: 7 a.m.
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"SHENGKING"	Swatow	8 a.m. 19th July
"TSINAN"	Swatow	a.m. 20th July
"PRODUCE"	Kobe & Keelung	20/21st July
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ARRIVALS FROM

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Court Brevities

A fisherman, Wong Shek, has a family to support, but because of bad weather he was not able to catch fish himself. Charged with stealing seven catties of crabs and three catties of fresh fish from another fisherman, he told the Court that he was obliged to take these from a neighbouring trap, because his family had been without food.

He was fined $10.

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For keeping a brothel, a woman, Tam Sum, aged 46, was sentenced by Mr. d'Almada at Central yesterday to three months hard labour and recommended for banishment.

The prosecuting officer said that in the hut on the roof of 16, Sun Street, at the time of the arrest there were two seamen and two European males.

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Fong Kui, aged 30, hawker, was given two months hard labour at Central yesterday for stealing two steel rods valued at $2 from the site of a new building near the St. Louis Industrial School.

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More severe penalties were inflicted by Mr. d'Almada at Central yesterday on offenders carrying excess loads on the back of their bicycles.

Three shop fokls, Chui Leung, Ho Song and Lau Tok-sang, had their bicycles forfeited in addition to being fined $25 each.

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Obstinacy on the part of a woman, Chow Lai-fong, resulted in her being brought up at Central yesterday on the charge of obstruction by loitering.

She was chased away by a Police Corporal three times but was eventually arrested when she resisted.

A fine of $25 was imposed.

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One of the three women who were seen fighting at each other today and yesterday at 12 a.m. on July 15 at Percival Street, was brought up at Central yesterday and pleaded guilty to a charge of fighting in the street.

Defendant Lo Chai, was fined $30 with the option of seven days in gaol.

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Sixteen bars of gold found in the possession of Tsin Sui-hung, of Tientsin, as he was leaving the ss. Cheung Hing on June 13, were ordered by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday to be confiscated.

Defendant originally pleaded not guilty, but failed to be present at court yesterday.

His bail of $10 was also estreated.

Social Welfare Office Issues Report For June

Further progress in social welfare work was made during June by the Government Social Welfare Office, according to the monthly report on its activities.

The biggest undertaking during the month was the removal of the inmates of the Matauchung camp to the North Point camp. Members of St. John's Ambulance assisted in the removal.

The report states that the Social Welfare Office Relief Camp, formerly at Matauchung, sheltered aged persons, convalescents, cripples, South American women and children awaiting repatriation, a few Hong Kong persons evacuated from Shanghai, nearly 70 local orphan boys, some unsuccessful suicide cases, and a large number of other distressed or destitute persons most of whom were women and children.

One of the biggest undertakings was the handing over of this camp site to the Army and moving the inmates with their belongings, the staff, camp stores, and a very considerable number of growing plants belonging to the orphan boys' horticultural co-operative, into new quarters at North Point.

In the six non-residential Government Welfare Centres the most progress was achieved in Happy Valley and Saiyingpun. The Happy Valley Children's Club for destitute and underprivileged children has developed a great deal more initiative in the running of its gardening co-operative.

The young members have been returning of their own accord in the late afternoons to tend their gardens and to deal fairly and honestly with their customers; they have also learnt to be jealous of their reputation for collecting and returning any lost property left behind by outside customers.

Some of them have parents who have commented favourably on their children's improved manners and self-discipline.

The small experimental laundry co-operative for a few of the destitute women who attend the Saiyingpun Centre received an encouraging present of 120 bars of soap from the firm Danby and Hance; they laundered 1948 pieces of clothing in June, which brought them a gross income of $511.30.

Gift Of Rusks

A welcome gift of more than 1,000 tins of rusks in perfect condition was received from Loxley and Co. The rusks are being distributed to a number of voluntary orphanages and foundling homes.

In the Women and Children's Section there were 14 new registrations of adopted daughters; the adoptions of eight boys were also voluntarily registered.

A pork-seller and a widow were prosecuted for hiring out a girl of 16 as a prostitute, and were each sentenced to a year's imprisonment. Second widow was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for having under her control a girl of 17 without the consent of the girl's and was recommended for banishment. A draughtsman was fined $100 for possessing a mult sai. There were no unsuccessful prosecutions.

All work in connection with the preliminary screening of the squatters in the Tam Kung Road area was completed by June 7 when the Squatter screening Squad moved on to its next area in accordance with the usual routine which has been going steadily on for the last six months. Government again undertook to offer free repatriation through the Social Welfare Office to any screened squatter who was not given permission to re-build on one of the Urban Council's approved sites. By the of June only two squatter families, both from the Tam Kung Road area, had responded to this offer.

La Salle College

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"King George V School for example, which Government would have been prepared to release could only provide 200 beds. In the case of Rosary Hill, even extra hutted and other accommodation would be required in addition and the present occupants could not move to other quarters in time to permit completion of the preparations for use as hospital within the time available.

"It was found in the case of the King's Park flats firstly that they will not be ready in time, secondly that extensive alterations would be necessary and thirdly that even with such alterations they would not provide sufficient space and further buildings would have to be erected nearby. The Jockey Club buildings were also considered but were found to be totally inadequate.

"It has been suggested that tenement houses would do. Serious consideration will show that there are two big objections to this, first that they are quite unsuitable both structurally and otherwise for hospital purposes, and second that to take over a sufficient number would entail displacing a very large number of residents. Nissen or other huts have also been suggested but would be quite unsuitable for the purpose, apart from other difficulties.

Great Regret

"The Government and the military authorities have all along been most reluctant to interfere with well established, soundly run educational establishments. It was, therefore, with great regret that it was found that La Salle College was the only building which will fulfill the requirements for the Army's temporary hospital.

"The school holidays make it possible for work to start on adapting the building at an early date, and also for provision of alternative accommodation for the school.

"Government has offered to provide accommodation for the La Salle resident staff and boarders in the new Government flats at King's Park and to construct a good type of temporary structure for classrooms on a nearby site. It will be seen, therefore that while naturally alternative accommodation may not be quite so satisfactory as the College's proper buildings, the minimum of inconvenience, and interference with important educational work will be caused.

"The construction of the new Army hospital, due to take 12 months, will be pressed on so that the College buildings may be released as soon as possible.

"The matter has been fully discussed with the school authorities who have agreed that there is a real need for the requisitioning of this particular building and that this action is being taken in a cause with which they sympathise.

"The school authorities have also agreed that arrangements for the temporary accommodation of the school are the best that can be made in existing circumstances," concluded the statement.

Coolie Sentenced

A coolie was yesterday sentenced at Kowloon to three months' imprisonment when he was convicted by Mr. Blair-Kerr on a charge of escaping from lawful custody.

Wu Shiu-hee, the coolie, according to the prosecution, was arrested by Mr. Blenkinsop of the Kowloon Docks who handed defendant over to PC111 at Wuhu Street on July 14. Defendant was suspected of having stolen some bricks outside the Docks.

While on the way to Hung Hum Police Station, defendant requested the PC to let him contact his company on the phone, saying that he had a permit to remove the bricks. This was refused by the constable.

PC111 wanted to contact the owner himself, so he and defendant went into a shop to make the phone call. While PC111 was phoning, defendant escaped.

Defendant was later re-arrested at the address given by him when he was first arrested.

Enquiries revealed that the bricks had been abandoned outside the Kowloon Docks since the re-occupation of Hong Kong, and no owner could be located.

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SUNDAY, JULY 17

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m.; (GPO) 9.30 a.m., Noon.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 16/7, (Ord.) 9 a.m. 17/7.
Airmail for Kweilin, Chungking and Chengtu; Airmail for Liuchow and Kunming, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 16/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 17/7.
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Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 16/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 17/7.
Airmail for Saigon and Paris, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 16/7, (Ord.) 10 a.m. 17/7.

Closing Times by Sea

Manila, 9 a.m.
Japan, 9 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi via Hoihow, 9 a.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.
Formosa via Keelung and Foochow, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 18

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; (GPO) 9.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
Airmail for Taipeh: Airmail for Hoihow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Liuchow and Kunming: Airmail for Swatow and Amoy; Airmail for Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, (Basra, Nairobi, Mombasa, Dares Salaam, Mauritius, Johannesburg and Cairo via Karachi), Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Formosa via Keelung, 10 a.m.
Aden, Egypt and Marseilles, 10 a.m.
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta, 1 p.m.
Manila, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 19

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Foochow; Airmail for Kunming; Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Taipeh; Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
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Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

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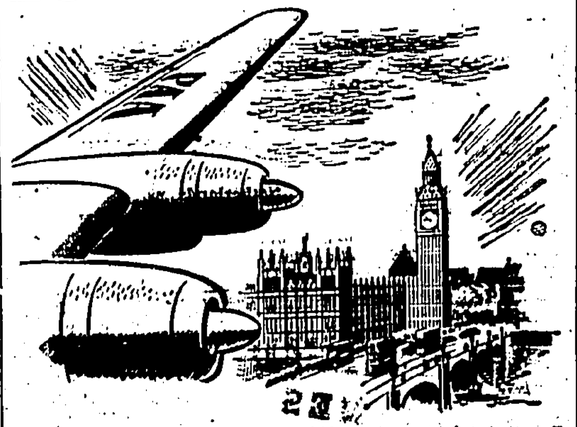

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CRAIGENGOWER MAINTAIN BOWLS LEAD

Beat Recreio "B" At King's Park; Indians Beat Police

A full programme of Lawn Bowls League matches were played off yesterday in spite of the rain earlier in the day.

In the First Division Craigengower Cricket Club after their last defeat at home beat Club de Recreio "B" at King's Park.

However, the home team managed to take a point away from the potential league champions.

Club de Recreio "A" nearest rivals to the Valley team beat Kowloon Docks at home. They won on two rinks but Noronha's rink and McMaster's finished level, thereby losing half a point.

Indian Recreation Club beat Police Recreation by four points to one at Happy Valley while Kowloon Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club also by four points to one.

The leaders of the Second Division League, Club de Recreio went down on all rinks against Hong Kong Football Club at Happy Valley while the Kowloon Cricket Club and Filipino Club continued their winning streak. Indian Recreation Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club at Austin road by four points to one.

In the Third Division Hong Kong Electric by virtue of scoring five point; against Police Recreation Club are now leading in this division with 25 points while Kowloon Docks by scoring four points against Prison Officers Club have been relegated to second place half a point behind Hong Kong Electric.

In the remaining game, Club de Recreio beat Kowloon Cricket Club. Two of the Portuguese rinks went down but Rozario's rink's big win over Tibble's rink gave the Portuguese team three points.

FIRST DIVISION

Recreio "A"—KDC

Playing at home yesterday Club de Recreio "A" beat Kowloon Docks by 43 shots, the final score being 83-40. The home team won two rinks and finished all square in another, thereby scoring 43 points to their opponents 40 of a point.

Recreio "A"		KDC	
P. Pereira		W. Davidson	
L. Pereira		W. Gaffney	
C. Pereira		R. Morrison	
F.V. Ribeiro		P.B. Parks	
(Skip)	32	(Skip)	12
A. Guterres		G. Martin	
E. Marques		W. Marshallsay	
F.V. Ribeiro		A.E. Elliott	
C. Noronha		W. McMaster	
(Skip)	18	(Skip)	18
P.F. Marques		R. Lapsley	
M. Souza		W. Riley	
F. Luz		C.R. Logan	
L. Luz		J.V. Ramsey	
(Skip)	33	(Skip)	10
Total	83	Total	40

PRC—IRC

Playing at home at Happy Valley Police Recreation Club lost to Indian Recreation Club by 21 shots, the final score being 68-47. The visitors won on two rinks lost on one. J. Shepherd in his debut as skip since his return from leave beat U.A. Rumjahn by 4 shots, the final score was 68-21.

PRC		IRC	
A. Soutar		M.B. Hassan	
J. Shepherd		U.A. Rumjahn	
(Skip)	23	(Skip)	21
Total	47	Total	68

Recreio "B"—CCC

Visiting King's Park, Craigengower beat Club de Recreio "B" by 19 shots, the final score being 63-44. The visitors won on two rinks, only Omar's rink lost, thus they met their defeat at the hands of C.F. Remedios and his men.

Recreio "B"		CCC	
H.R. Pinna		A.A. Razack	
G.A. Noronha		J.W. Leonard	
A.P. Guterres		A.E. Coates	
L.F. Xavier		B.W. Bradnney	
(Skip)	16	(Skip)	22
P.M.N. da Silva		W.J. Howard	
F.X. Soares		J.H. Xavier	
J.C. Remedios		K.M. Omar	
C.F. Remedios		U.M. Omar	
(Skip)	19	(Skip)	13
M.A. Baptista		A.H. Rumjahn	
C.P. Basto		G.A. Souza	
C.M. Silva		A.M. Omar	
F.X.M. da Silva		J.S. Landolt	
(Skip)	9	(Skip)	26
Total	44	Total	63

KCC—KBGC

In a First Division League match Kowloon Cricket Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club at home by 15 shots, the final score being 65-50. The home team won on two rinks and lost on one, Sykes and his men being the only visiting rink that succeeded.

KCC		KBGC	
C. Thomson		E.A. Atkins	
W. Hong Sing		G.E. Thompson	
W. Butterworth		A.T. Hall	
F. Goodwin		L. Sykes	
(Skip)	13	(Skip)	14
A.E.P. Guest		J. Meyer	
J.N. Wong		L.A. Collyer	
E.C. Fincher		A. Eastman	
J. Orem		J. McKelvie	
(Skip)	24	(Skip)	22
W. Colledge		F. Plume	
A.J. Kew		C. Crouch	
T.A. Madar		J. Fraser	
C.S. Rosselet		W.C. Simpson	
(Skip)	28	(Skip)	14
Total	65	Total	50

SECOND DIVISION

FC—TDC

Filipino Club continued their winning streak in the Second Division League at King's Park yesterday when they beat Taikoo Docks Club at home by nine shots, the final score was 63-54. The home team won on two rinks.

FC		TDC	
F. Rodrigues		A. Stevens	
L.J. Castilho		J.A. Smith	
J.W. Lee		C. Bovaird	
W.C. Ogley		W.C. McKie	
(Skip)	22	(Skip)	15
R. Basa		J.B. Baxter	
J. Delgado		J. Rowan	
R.O. Hughes		R.B. Marshall	
W.V. Field		J.C. Chalmers	
(Skip)	30	(Skip)	20
W.S. Chang		T.R. McLean	
I.S. Castro		D.R. Dally	
H.Y. Hsu		J.H. Kinniburgh	
D.A. Rozario		W. Melrose	
(Skip)	11	(Skip)	19
Total	63	Total	54

KBGC—IRC

Visiting Austin Road, Indian Recreation Club beat Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 25 shots in the Second Division League, the final score being 70-55. The home team won on one rink. Making his debut as skip, young A. R. Razack was down 15-1 against Spary but pulled up magnificently to win by three shots.

KBGC		IRC	
P. Hughes		D. M. A. Razack	
J. A. Pearson		O. R. Sadick	
D. Trail		M. A. Wahab	
R. Wigginton		M. Y. Aual	
(skip)	14	(skip)	29
A. Hutton		A. M. Kadir	
J. G. Robertson		S. S. Hussain	
J. Crighton		S. M. Rumjahn	
A. Spary		A. R. Razack	
(skip)	20	(skip)	23
A. P. Weir		S. O. Bux	
J. Tindall		E. R. Markar	
A. R. Warren		I. Kitchell	
J. Hempsey		A. M. Wahab	
(skip)	21	(skip)	18
Total	55	Total	70

CCC—KCC

Craigengower Cricket Club lost to the Kowloon Cricket Club at Happy Valley in a Second Division match by seven shots the final score being 68-61. The home team won on two rinks and lost one. Skinner's big win over Marvin's rink gave the visitors three points.

CCC		KCC	
F. Lee		Tribble	
P. K. Lau		A. Ramsey	
H. A. de Botelho		S. A. Gray	
S. H. Marvin		F. E. Skinner	
(skip)	15	(skip)	36
G. C. Gorge		E. R. Rosselet	
S. R. Solina		C. R. Rosselet	
C. W. Lam		R. S. Capell	
E. Franks		T. Lock	
(skip)	25	(skip)	17
G. Hong Choy		H. Gittins	
C. A. Coelho		H. Triggs	
G. S. Ladd		J. Tang	
A. J. Coelho		G. Lee	
(skip)	21	(skip)	15
Total	61	Total	68

HKFC—Recreio

Hong Kong Football Club beat Club de Recreio in all rinks and by 20 shots in the Second Division League at Happy Valley yesterday, the final score being 65-45.

HKFC		Recreio	
J. S. Howell		A. M. Silva	
E. Strange		P. A. Costa	
J. A. R. Selby		N. A. Beltrao	
N. J. Bebbington		A. A. Lopes	
(skip)	25	(skip)	16
G. Brown		R. M. V. Ribeiro	
L. Strange		B. Pintos	
C. Carr		A. V. Gosano	
M. N. Rakusen		A. F. Noronha	
(skip)	17	(skip)	16
L. Hanley		L. S. Silva	
A. McAlpine		J. P. Xavier	
T. Pile		M. F. Pinna	
B. I. Bickford		E. M. Alarcoun	
(skip)	23	(skip)	13
Total	65	Total	45

THIRD DIVISION

KDC—POC

Kowloon Docks Club beat Prison Officers Club in the Third Division League by four shots after an exciting finish, the final score was 56-52. The home team won on two rinks and lost on one. Bicker's four beat McCutcheon by one shot. McCutcheon was leading by 18-13 on the 19th head. He then gave away six shots on the next two heads to go down by one.

KDC		POC	
A. Taylor		C. Jamieson	
J. Burbeck		P. Le Tissier	
C. Collins		M. Scott	
Hutchinson		J.W. Grant	
(Skip)	23	(Skip)	16
W. Chambers		A. Bond	
J. McIntyre		W. Higgs	
M. McKay		A. Hircock	
A. McInnes		Dr. I. Shaw	
(Skip)	14	(Skip)	18
Allan		Rosen	
Cato		Woodward	
Campbell		McGrath	
J. Bicker		J. McCutcheon	
(Skip)	19	(Skip)	18
Total	56	Total	52

HKERC—PRC

At Ming Yuen Hong Kong Electric beat Police Recreation Club by 20 shots, the final score being 67-41. The home team made a clean sweep by winning on all rinks.

HKERC		PRC	
J.O. Stokoe		H. Finney	
W. Stonehouse		T. Pilkington	
G.T. Padgett		H.B. Dewar	
V. Bonch		W.E. Hollands	
(Skip)	28	(Skip)	6
W. Macfarlane		J. Redman	
W. Stoker		W.P. Appe	
J.F. Lanny		R. Saunders	
H.C. Butler		C. Pope	
(Skip)	18	(Skip)	17
F.A. Golding		J. Russell	
F. Fell		N. Senior	
J.B. Bottomley		G.F. Willerton	
G. Ryder		G. Davies	
(Skip)	21	(Skip)	8
Total	67	Total	41

KCC—Recreio

Club de Recreio beat Kowloon Cricket Club in a Third Division League match at Cox Road by 68-53. The home team won on two rinks, but the defeat of Tibble's rink against Rozario's rink cost the home team three points.

KCC		Recreio	
W. Boyes		J.C. Fonseca	
R. Barker		M.T. Nunes	
C. Champelovier		J.T. Cotton	
J.A. Tibble		L.A. Rozario	
(Skip)	13	(Skip)	27
A. Baggott		R.A. Campos	
F. Howarth		V.A. Sequeira	
C.I. Stapleton		J.A. Victor	
W.H. Cowle		M.L. Roza	
(Skip)	21	(Skip)	16
G. Rosselet		G. Pinna	
W. Baker		S.E. Souza	
L. Brezny		E.H. Carvalho	
T.E. Baker		D.C. Alves	
(Skip)	19	(Skip)	16
Total	53	Total	59

FRIENDLY GAME

KBGC—HKCC

Kowloon Bowling Green Club lost to Hong Kong Cricket Club in a friendly game by 31 shots, the final score was 77-46. The visitors won on two rinks.

KBGC		HKCC	
A. Grossmith		A. Graham	
A. Davidsen		K.A. Cork	
A. Dodd		H.F. Shields	
H.H. Rose		W. Williamson	
(Skip)	14	(Skip)	36
C.W. Greaves		G.W. Sewell	
I.U. Urquhart		D.R. Wood	
T.P. Styles		E.J.R. Mitchell	
L.E. Lammert		A.E. Hawkins	
(Skip)	7	(Skip)	27
E.F. Baker		D. Phillips	
C.E. Holt		F.C.B. Black	
R.H. Browne		J. Skinner	
T.J. Hempsley		R.H. Wild	
(Skip)	25	(Skip)	14
Total	46	Total	77

Today's Matches

Eight matches in the Second Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Rinks Championship will be decided today. All games will start at 4 p.m. sharp. Four games will be played at Kowloon and four on the Island. The best game should be that between L. Sykes and his men and J.F.V. Ribeiro's rink at Kowloon Docks and that between Orem and McKelvie at Club de Recreio.

The holders of the title, I M Omar, K.M. Omar and A.M. Omar and U.M. Omar will play a Second Division rink from the Filipino Club composed of C.M. Franco, L. Castilho J. Delgado at the Hong Kong Football Club.

At KCC

J.C. Remedios, J.H. Xavier, A.P. Pereira, C.C. Pereira (Skip) v D.M. Razack, A. Seemin, A.R. Razack, A.M. Wahab (Skip).

At KDC

A.E. Atkins, G.E.F. Thompson, A.J. Hall, L. Sykes, (Skip) v A.A. Lopes, L.A. Rozario, C.F. Remedios, J.F.V. Ribeiro (Skip).

J.W. Tindall, A.L.G. Eastman, L.A. Collyer, W.C. Simpson, (Skip) v E.V. Alves, A.V. Lopes, E.R. Rosselett, G.R. Rosselett (Skip).

At HKFC

I.M. Omar, K.M. Omar, A.M. Omar, U.M. Omar (Skip) v C.M. Franco, L. Castilho, J. Delgado, D.A. Rozario (Skip).

Francis Lee, S.H. Marvin, A.J. Coelho, M.J. Medina (Skip) v B.P. Marques, F.X. Soares, R.F. Luz, J.A. Luz (Skip).

At Recreio

E. Shaw, S.H. Strange, J. Fraser, J. McKelvie (Skip) v S.A. Gray, F. Goodwin, E.C. Fincher, J. Orem (Skip).

At CCC

J. Hayward, C. Pope, W. Cameron, C.H. Gough (Skip) v G.A. Guterres, A.F. Noronha, Dr. A.P. Guterres, J.E. Noronha (Skip).

At TDC

L. C. R. Souza, J. W. Leonard, A.E. Coates, B.W. Bradbury, (Skip) v A.J. Nunes, I. Kitchell, A.R.A. Rahman, S.M. Rumjahn (Skip).

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Tokyo, July 16.

The cruiser Jamaica arrived at Yokosuka naval base at 10.30 a.m. today. The warship is scheduled to sail for Okinawa on July 21.

On board the vessel was Vice Admiral A.C.G. Madden, Flag Officer Second-in-Command, the Far East Station.—Reuter.

Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION

Rec. "A"	(4½) 83	KDC	(1) 40
Rec. "B"	(1) 44	CCC	(4) 63
KCC	(4) 65	KBGC	(1) 50
PRC	(1) 47	IRC	(4) 68

SECOND DIVISION

FC	(4) 63	TDC	(1) 54
KBGC	(1) 55	IRC	(3) 70
CCC	(2) 61	KCC	(3) 65
HKFC	(5) 65	Recreio	(0) 45

THIRD DIVISION

KDC	(4) 56	POC	(1) 52
KCC	(2) 53	Recreio	(3) 59
HKERC	(5) 67	PRC	(0) 41

FRIENDLY

KBGC	(1) 46	HKCC	(4) 77

League Tables

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts
CCC	9	8	1	619	401	36
Recreio 'A'	9	7	2	612	477	31
IRC	9	5	4	553	505	27
KBGC	9	4	5	543	523	23½
KCC	7	4	3	420	396	18½
PRC	8	2	6	430	508	13
KDC	9	2	7	456	630	11
Recreio 'B'	9	2	7	390	539	10

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts
Recreio	8	5	3	573	414	27½
KCC	9	6	3	542	502	25½
FC	8	6	2	464	440	25½
TDC	9	5	4	554	517	22½
IRC	8	5	3	474	459	21½
HKFC	8	3	5	449	451	19
CCC	8	3	5	446	504	17½
KBGC	8	2	6	427	507	15½
HKCC	8	2	6	419	466	10½

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	L	Shots F	Shots A	Pts
HKERC	8	5	3	477	406	25
KDC	7	5	2	415	388	24½
POC	7	4	3	403	353	19½
KCC	8	1½	6½	476	502	17½
Recreio	6	3½	2½	373	352	14½
KBGC	8	3	3	331	360	13½
PRC	8	2	6	399	512	10½

KCC LAWN BOWLS NOTICE

Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club who have entered the various Lawn Bowls Club Competitions are requested to consult the Notice Board as the draw for the various Competitions are now up.

Particular attention to the completion of the First Round is also requested.

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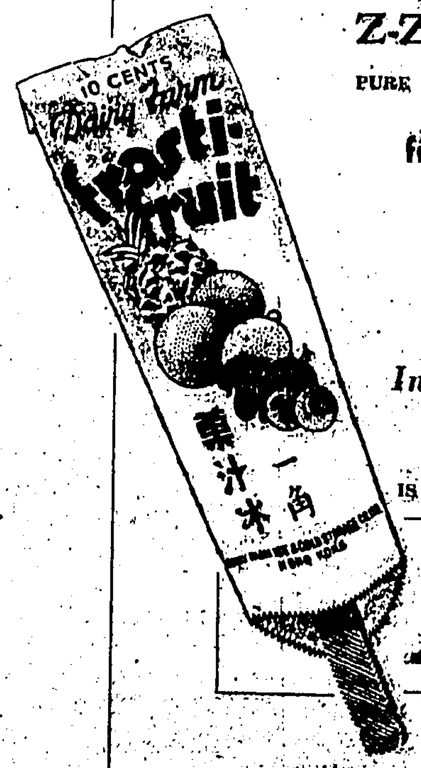

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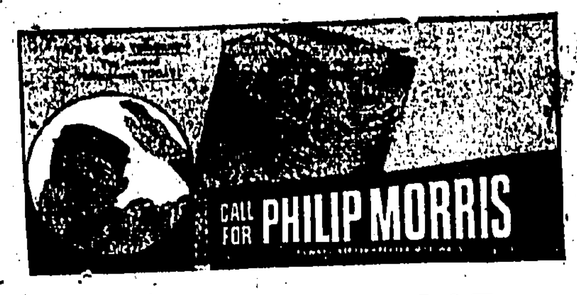

Chinese Y Beat VRC In Exciting Swimming Meet

The Chinese YMCA emerged worthy winners over Victoria Recreation Club by 14 points to 13 in an Inter-Club swimming Meet at the VRC pool last night.

As the result indicates, the Meet was climaxed with one of the most thrilling finishes seen in local swimming contests.

The Chinese YMCA scored their necessary margin for a win only in the last race of the evening, the 4 X 50 yards Free Style Relay, which they won just by a touch amidst an uproar of excitement.

The best performance of the evening was returned by F. Monteiro of VRC in the 100 yards Free Style. Swimming against the Y's Tsai Lee-heung and Chan Chui-cheung and his club mate J. Gomes, Monteiro led all the way to win by a length. His time of 58 3 5 seconds is the best for this event so far in this season.

A V. Lopes' powerful strokes carried him to an easy win in the 100 yards Back Stroke. He finished almost four lengths ahead of YMCA's Ng Nin who came out second.

The Senior 100 yards Breast Stroke featured four butterfly stroke swimmers but immediately after the whistle was blown the spotlight was focussed on the Y's Chan Chui-cheung and VRC's G. Roza-Pereira. For the first two laps they were neck to neck closely followed by J. Yvanovich. By the end of the third lap however, Pereira began to lag allowing Chan to forge ahead for a five length win. J. Yvanovich showed a strong finish when a final last lap spurt brought him to the finishing wall just ⅗ fraction of a second before his club-mate.

Results

1. Inter-Club "B" Class 100 yards Free Style: 1. Lau Ping (CYMCA)—62-2/5 seconds; 2. Yiu Sim-kun (CYMCA)—62-3/5 seconds; 3. S.B. Mitford (VRC)—65-3/5 seconds.

2. "A" Class 100 yards Free Style: 1. F. Monteiro (VRC)—58-3/5 seconds; 2. Chan Chui-cheung (CYMCA)—60-1/5 seconds; 3. Tsai Lee-heung (CYMCA).

3. Ladies 100 yards Free Style: 1. So Ngoi-lin—75-3/5 seconds; 2. H. Anderson—76 seconds; 3. D. Barton—73-3/5 seconds.

4. Inter-Club "B" Class 4 x 50 yards Free Style Relay: 1. VCR (C. Silva Netto, G. Blenkinsop, C. Guterres andA. Marques)—1 min. 52 secs.; 2. CYMCA (Lau Kam-hung, Yiu Sim-kun, Wong Kwai-chee, and Ng Pak-kung)—1 min 54-3/5 secs.

5. "A" Class 100 yards Back Stroke: 1. A.V. Lopes (VRC)—71-1/5 seconds; 2. Ng Nin (CYMCA)—75 seconds; 3. A.K. Rumjahn (VRC)—75-1/5 seconds.

6. Ladies 100 yards Breast Stroke: 1. Cheung Sui-ying (CYMCA)—901/5 seconds; 2. Wu Mo-tak (CYMCA)—95-4/5 secs; 3. J. Eager (VRC)—1 min. 48 secs.

7. "B" Class 100 yards Breast Stroke: 1. Ng Chak-ping (CYMCA)—79 seconds; 2. S E Carvalho (VRC)—81-2/5 seconds; 3. M. Roza (VRC)—84-2/5 seconds.

8. "A" Class 100 yards Breast Stroke: 1. Chan Chui-cheung (CYMCA)—71-1/5 seconds; 2. J. Yvanovich (VRC)—75 seconds; 3. G. Roza-Pereira (VRC)—75 seconds.

9. "B" Class 220 yards Free Style: 1. Wong Kwai-chee (CYMCA) 2 min. 46-3/5 seconds; 2. E.L. Costa (VRC)—2 min. 48-3/5 seconds; 3. Lam Kwan-ngai (CYMCA)—2 min. 52-3/5 seconds.

10. "A" Class 50 yards Free Style: 1. F. Monteiro (VRC)—25-3/5 seconds; 2. Tsai Lee-heung (CYMCA)—26-1/5 seconds. 3. Ng Nin (CYMCA)—26-1/5 seconds.

11 "B" Class 100 yards Back Stroke: 1. D. Collaco (VRC)—78-2/5 seconds. 2. Sim Kau-chun (CYMCA). 81 seconds; 3. L.E. Guterres (VRC)—81-4/5 seconds.

12. VRC Senior Boys 150 yards Individual Medley: 1. M. Sargison—2 min. 12-1/5 seconds; 2. G. Noronha—2 min. 17 seconds; 3. F. Xavier—2 min. 19 seconds.

13. Ladies 4 x 50 yards Free Style Relay: 1. VRC (H. Anderson C. Eager, Pat Sullivan and Mrs. Barton)—2 min. 17 seconds; 2. CYMCA (Wong Yuen-sang, So Ngoi-lin, Shek Ling-mui and Cheng Yin-ying)—2 min. 22-1/5 seconds.

14. "B" Class 3 x 50 yards Medley Relay: 1. CYMCA (Ng Pak-kung, Ng Cheuk-ping, and Ho Chak-lam)—1 min. 37-1/5 seconds. 2. VRC (A. Marques, Ben Thompson and Blenkinsopp)—1 min. 38-4/5 second.

15. "A" Class 4 x 50 yards Free Style Relay: 1. CYMCA (Chan Chui-cheung, Tsai Lee-heung Lau Kam-hang and Ng Nin)—1 min. 24-1/5 seconds; 2. VRC (G. Saunders, G. Roza-pereira, A.V. Lopes and J. Gomes).

Inter-Club Point total: CYMCA 14; VRC 13.

DJEDDAH WINS ECLIPSE STAKES

Sandown Park, July 15.

M. Marcel Boussac's Djeddah won the Eclipse Stakes, run over one and a quarter miles here this afternoon. Miss Dorothy Paget's Tennyson was second and Mr. John Dewar's Faux Tirage third. A field of seven ran.

The betting was: 6 to 4 against the favourite Djeddah, 25 to 1 Tennyson, 9 to 4 Faux Tirage.

This was the first time in 45 years that the valuable Eclipse Stakes was won by France. The race is worth £8,196.

Djeddah, winner of the Two Thousand Guineas in 1949, and ridden by Charlie Elliott, scored an easy three-lengths' victory over Tennyson, with Faux Tirage, three-quarters of a length away, third.

After going a quarter of a mile, Nizami led Bobo, followed by Faux Tirage and Moondust, with Djeddah last. At the halfway mark, Tennyson led Nizami, Faux Tirage and Bobo, and was still in front as they entered the straight, with Hindostan and Djeddah beginning to move up.

Faux Tirage went to the front when three lengths from the finish, while Hindostan, under pressure, fell back.

A Comfortable Victory

A furlong out, Djeddah, who was quickly making up lost ground, drew up to Faux Tirage and, mastering the English colt ran on strongly for a comfortable victory.

Moondust was fourth, Hindostan fifth, Bobo sixth and Nizami last. Djeddah covered the mile and a quarter in two minutes, 8-1/5 seconds, the fastest time for 16 years.

Today was the first occasion on which the three-year old Faux Tirage had tasted defeat Prior to the meeting, there was a strike by stable lads, who refused to take the horses into the paddock when they found that they were not going to be admitted free to watch the racing as they had done hitherto owing to a new wire netting fence.

Many head lads came to the rescue by leading their horse into the parade. One jockey led his mount from the ring himself.

Sir Kenneth Gibson, the Clerk of the Course, said that today's system, which would be maintained despite the protests, was an "anti-nobbling" measure to prevent people in the paddock from entering the stables, which hitherto they could do quite easily. —Reuter.

Badminton Prize Winners

Prizes were presented to the Badminton Champions of the St. Teresa's Catholic Action Men's Association last night by Mrs. John Pemeroy, mother of Mr. Bernard P. Pemeroy, the Association's Secretary, at the ball room of the Little Flower Club.

Following the prize giving more than 100 members of the Association attended an informal ball.

Winners of the Association's Badminton contests are:

Open Men's Singles: Winner—J. A. Soares, Runner-up—A. D. Brown.

Open Ladies' Singles: Winner—Mrs. J. A. Soares, Runner-up—Miss. Gloria Silva.

Junior Men's Singles: Winner—I. Eriksen, Runner-up—F. Allaye.

Junior Ladies' Singles: Winner—Miss. Baptista, Runner-up—Miss. J. Pemeroy.

Open Men's Doubles: Winners—A. D. Brown and A. J. Gonsalves, Runners-up—J. A. Motta and F. M. Rosario.

Open Ladies' Doubles: Winners—Mrs. J. A. Silva and Miss. Gloria Silva, Runners-up—Miss. T. Remedios and Miss. B. Remedios.

Junior Men's Doubles: Winners—F. Allaye and Mr. Nolasco da Silva, Runners-up—G. Pemeroy and J. Pemeroy Jr.

Junior Ladies' Doubles: Winners—Miss. Marie-Louise Arnulphy and Miss. J. Pemeroy. Runners-up—S. McDougall and Miss. S. Loy.

Junior Mixed Doubles: Winners—Miss. J. Pemeroy and J. Pemeroy. Runners-up—Miss. G. Arnulphy and F. Allaye.

WIN FOR AMPON

Newport, July 15.

F. Ampon, of the Philippines, beat M. Matous of Czechoslovakia, by 6-4, 4-6 and 6-2 in the semi-finals of the men's singles in the Welsh lawn tennis championships here tonight.—Reuter.

Gurkha Teams Again Battle To Draw In Fast Soccer Match

(By "ROVER")

The quarter final replay between the 2/6th and 2/10th Gurkha Rifles in the Nepal Cup Soccer Competition at Chatham Road yesterday, which ended with the teams sharing two goals, again provided spectators with a sparkling exhibition of football.

Play was of an exceptionally high standard throughout and although the honours at stake were by no means to be despised, the players, without exception, again proved themselves to be sportsmen of a high calibre by playing football as it should be played.

The will to win was there, but neither side attempted to achieve victory by resorting to foul play as a means to an end and for that reason alone, the players deserve the highest praise.

The 2/6th fielded the same team as did duty for them on Saturday last, but the 2/10th made one change, Cpl. Kharka Bahadur taking over the pivotal position in place of Captain McAllister who was on the sick list.

Although they played a splendid game, the 2/6th did not show the same steadiness and cohesion as they did last week. One noticeable feature about their play yesterday was that they did not make full use of their two brilliant wingers. Time and again the wingmen were favourably placed but the ball was not passed to them, but down the centre.

The 2/10th were definitely better than they were on Saturday last. Their defence was beyond reproach, while the forwards showed a fine turn of speed and passed the ball with deadly precision.

The 2/10th won the toss and set the 2/6th against the strong sun

From the kick-off, the 2/6th swept up the field and placed the ball in the 2/10th goalmouth, but the defence was not to be caught napping.

First Blood

The ball was immediately transferred to the other end and within five minutes, 2/10th drew first blood when Cpl. Kalu Lekha, who seized upon an opening, scored with a fine effort which gave L/Cpl. Chhabilal, the 2/6th custodian, no chance.

Stung by this early reverse, the 2/6th threw all their resources into the game in an attempt to secure the equaliser.

Time and again they worked their way almost to the 2/10th goalmouth, but on every occasion that they came near to scoring they were robbed of the ball by a defence which remained cool and impregnable under the most terrific pressure.

The 2/10th also had their chances to increase the score, but the 2/6th defence, aided by the forwards who dropped back to assist, prevented any further goals being scored against them.

Half time came with the 2/10th still holding their slender 1-0 lead.

On resumption, the teams were at it hammer and tongs again, with the 2/10th having the edge on their opponents, both in defence and attack.

The 2/6th refused to admit defeat however, and after play had been in progress for about 10 minutes, they obtained the equaliser when Sgt. Amar Bahadur gained possession and outraced the 2/10th defence to send in a fast cross shot which the goalkeeper Sgt. Iswah Singh beaten all the way.

This goal was greeted with prolonged cheers and the discharge of firecrackers by supporters of the 2/6th, who went wild with excitement.

Titanic Struggle

From this stage onwards, another titanic struggle took place as both teams, cheered on by their respective supporters, tried every trick knew to obtain the winning goal.

Full time came ,without any addition to the score and extra time was ordered.

Another dour struggle was seen during extra time and both teams came near to scoring on a number of occasions, but the two goalkeepers rose to the occasion and kept their respective charges intact.

As no decision was reached, a further replay will take place on Tuesday next.

Captain H.J. Chisnall again handled the game admirably and the manner in which he kept up with the almost non-stop play Freaks well for his physical condition.

2/6th: L/Cpl. Chhabilal, L/Cpl. Rudrapoosad, L/Cpl. Oibahadur L/Cpl. Kalu, Jemadar Lal Singh L/Cpl. Saklal, L/Cpl. Balibadra C/Sgt. Dhanbahadur, Sgt. Amar Bahadur, Major Harvey (Captain) and L/Cpl. Kale.

2/10th: Sgt. Iswah Singh Subedar Major Gam Bahadur (Captain), Sgt. Ratna Bahadur, Cpl. Kharka Bahardur Jemadar Ran Bahadur, L/Cpl. Kalu Singh, Cpl. Jai Bahadur, C/Sgt. Padam Bahadur, Cpl. Indra Jit, Cpl. Kalu Lekha and RQMS Dunrat.

Aussie Cricketers Honoured By Wisden

London, July 16.

Five of the all-conquering Australian team which swept through English cricket last season have been honoured by selection as "cricketers of the year" in the 86th issue of Wisden, the cricketers' almanac, which has just made its public appearance.

They are A. L. Hassett, R. A. Lindwall, A. R. Morris, W. A. Johnston and D. Tallon.

Their choice was primarily a tribute to the record of Sir Donald Bradman's unbeaten side, and was influenced by the limited opportunities given to the Australian players to appear in this illustrious gallery, as compared with the chances of English cricketers.

"The Australian invasion" of which the Editor, Mr. Hubert Preston, speaks in his preface, is completed by a survey of the game in general by Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, Australian deputy prime minister, and a brilliant pen-picture of Sir Donald Bradman by Mr. R. C. Robertson-Glasgow.

Renaissance Of Cricket

Discussing the re-establishment of post-war cricket, Dr. Evatt says that a real renaissance of cricket has happened throughout the British Commonwealth.

"On the very same day we read of contests between the West Indies and India and strenuously fought Tests once again between England and South Africa," he writes.

Commenting on how fortune fluctuate in international cricket, Dr. Evatt thinks that in the long run, things always even up. "Who would dare say that, in five years time, the cricket supremacy within the British Commonwealth will not have passed to the West Indies? he asks.

"What a boon that would be even if only to drive home the lesson that in cricket, it is not an affair only of Lords, of the Oval or of Sydney or Melbourne."

Looking back over a vista of 40 years of Test cricket, Dr. Evatt is convinced that "cricket has no equal in its substained contribution, not only to dignified leisure but to the happiness of our countrymen."

A fitting tribute to the memory of W. G. Grace, in recognition of the centenary of his birth in 1948, is paid by the Editor, and other special articles deal with Glamorgan's progress to their first county championship and with the growth of New Zealand cricket.—Reuter.

YESTERDAY'S LAWN BOWLS
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Kiwis Open Against Scotland

Glasgow, July 16.

Owing to the late arrival of the New Zealand cricketers from Northamptonshire, the start of their match with Scotland here today was delayed until midday, and at lunch time, the tourists had made 112 runs for the loss of two wickets.

Weather conditions were cold and cloudy but the wicket appeared easy paced when New Zealand opened the batting.

The New Zealanders scored 50 in 39 minutes and had 112 on the board in the 90 minutes before lunch. The bowling was at times difficult to play.

Youngson got some life from the pitch and caused caution by the batsmen. One sharply rising ball completely beat Sutcliffe and skimmed the balls.

Scott at 27 was well caught when playing back. He deflected a ball to forward short-leg. Reid should have been run out when taking a sharp single but he did lose his wicket in the early seventies and then Sutcliffe, who had passed his half century, and Wallace, captaining the New Zealanders, held out until lunch.

The teams were: New Zealand:—W. M. Wallace, T. B. Burtt, H. B. Cave, J. Cowie, G. F. Cresswell, M. P. Donnelly, J. R. Reid, G. O. Rabone, V. J. Scott, F. B. Smith and B. Sutcliffe.

Scotland: G. L. Willat, H. E. Sheppard, G. W. Youngson, T. R. Crosskey, J. Aitchison, H. F. Laidlaw, W. A. Edward, R. S. McClaren, R. W. Crow, W. Nichols, and W. Hormitson.

SCORES:

New Zealand, 1st innings.	
Sutcliffe, not out	53
Scott, c. Sheppard, b. Youngson	11
Reid, b. Nichol	22
Wallace, not out	15
Extras	11
Total (for two)	112

Drawn Match

With a complete change in the weather the game between Northamptonshire and New Zealand tourists produced an unexpectedly keen finish, the County having only two wickets to go when at the end of extra time the match was drawn. They were then 131 runs behind the number required to win, being 182 for 8 wickets.

When the arranged time expired, the home side had five wickets left, but Sutcliffe caused a breakdown. He finished with the best analysis of the match, four for 67.

Earlier on, there was sparkling play by the New Zealand batsmen, all of whom hit hard in order to build up a possible chance. Sutcliffe had gone cheaply Scott played well for his 44 and Reid, made 72 in brilliant style.

Wallace set the example of hitting hard and Reid followed suit by hitting two sixes and seven fours. Martin Donnelly carried on the good work after a slow start, hitting two shorts of his 50 when the innings was declared at lunch.

The feature of the Northamptonshire innings was an accurately played innings of 97 by Brookes, who, after starting very quietly, forced the pace and hit 15 fours during a three-hour stay.

The final scoreboard read:

New Zealand: 1st innings 456 for 7 declared
2nd innings

Sutcliffe b Nutter	4
Scott c Oldfield b Garlick	44
Reid c Constable b Garlick	72
Wallace b Garlick	20
Donnelly not out	48
Mooney not out	5
Extras	1
Total for 4 wkets. dec:	194

Northamptonshire: 1st innings 338
2nd innings

Brookes b Sutcliffe	97
Oldfield b Heyes	2
Barron c Sutcliffe b Burke	11
Bennett b Sutcliffe	21
Barrick c-Mooney b Reid	11
Skinner c Wallace b Sutcliffe	2
Broderick c Sutcliffe b Burtt	16
Nutter c Burtt b Sutcliffe	1
Garlick not out	6
Clarke not out	6
Extras	9
Total for 8 wkts:	182

—Reuter.

LIBERATION SHIELD GAME

The second of a series of three Lawn Bowls games for the Liberation Shield will be played between members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Kowloon Cricket Club at Austin Road on Sunday, July 31, commencing at 4 p.m.

Members wishing to play are asked to sign the list in their respective Club houses.

GENTLEMEN LOSE BY FOUR WICKETS

London, July 15.

A seventh wicket partnership of 70 runs in 40 minutes between Godfrey Evans and Roland Jenkins prevented The Gentlemen gaining their first victory at Lords since 1938.

Ignoring the peculiarities of the wicket, which was refreshened by overnight rain, they hit out boldly to give The Players a four wickets win. Jenkins had 41 not out and Evans 40 not out.

Needing 139 runs after dismissing the amateurs for 267, the professionals lost six wickets for 69 runs before Jenkins and Evans carried the total to 139 for six.

Trevor Bailey, Essex and England fast bowler, got help from the wicket and had a spell of three wickets for 11 runs. He finished with three for 35. Freddie Brown, the Northamptonshire captain and spin bowler, took three for 71.

Evans was in fine form throughout the match. He scored 81 runs and dismissed seven batsmen behind the wickets.

In the County matches rain robbed Worcestershire of the chance of consolidating their position at the top of the County cricket championship table, but first innings' points increased their lead over Middlesex to eight points. Worcestershire now have 212 from 15 matches, the same number played by Middlesex.

Yorkshire's Narrow Escape

Yorkshire, who had a narrow escape against Essex, remain in third place with 100 points from 15 games, while Glamorgan move into fourth place with 88 from 16 games. Essex took over the fifth berth with 84 points from 16 games, with Warwickshire following with the same number of points from 14 games.

Leicestershire remain at the bottom of the table with 20 points from 13 games, eight points behind Hampshire, who have played the same number of games.

After playing themselves into a strong position against Nottinghamshire on the tricky Stourbridge pitch, rain storms prevented Worcestershire from forcing a win. Several efforts were made to dry the pitch between the storms, but the match was abandoned without a ball being bowled today.

Surrey outplayed Somerset at The Oval, when the home county declared for the second time, with an aggregate of 668 runs for five wickets in the two innings. Somerset collapsed badly. Seven wickets fell for 96, but then Stephenson, the wicket-keeper, and Lawrence put on 106 in 63 minutes. Stephenson made 88, including 12 fours in 80 minutes to record the highest of his career.

Only 20 minutes' play was possible in the Leicestershire-Sussex match. Sussex, who led by 216, needed one wicket to gain first innings' points, but Riddinston and Sperry, Leicestershire's last wicket pair, held out despite bad light and occasional rain.

Crowd In A Frenzy

A lunch time storm had a vital bearing on the game between Glamorgan and Lancashire, in which first one side and then the other looked like winning easily. With 15 minutes remaining Lancashire wanted only 17 runs and had six wickets in hand, but, with the crowd in a frenzy, Muncer took three wickets in one over with the total unchanged at 121, and when the last man went in Lancashire still needed five runs. They failed to get the runs and Glamorgan the wicket, so that the game ended in a draw, which proved as exciting as any win.

Essex appeared certain of gaining their first victory over Yorkshire since 1939. At one stage today Yorkshire were only 30 runs ahead with seven wickets down with an hour and a half remaining for play. But then 20-year-old Eric Leadbeater, playing his first game for the County, came to the wicket and, despite all efforts to dislodge him, stayed until time, scoring a valuable 29. He was helped by Brennan, tenth man, in thwarting Essex.

Results

The results of the games which ended today were:

At Lord's: The Players beat The Gentlemen by four wickets. Gentlemen 105 and 267 (Jenkins 4 for 48); Players 234 and 139 for 6 (Bailey 3 for 35).

At Stourbridge: Worcestershire-Nottinghamshire match abandoned with no play today owing to rain. Worcestershire 340 and 128 for 6 declared (E. Cooper 55 not out, Butler 3 for 15); Nottinghamshire 207.

At The Oval: Surrey beat Somerset by 165 runs. Surrey 501 for 3 declared and 107 for 2 declared. Somerset 281 and 222 (Stephenson 88).

At Llanelly: Glamorgan drew with Lancashire. Glamorgan 217 and 96 (Tattersall 5 for 16); Lancashire 161 and 129 for 9 (Grieves 30, Muncer 6 for 54).

At Ashby-de-la-Zouch: Leicestershire drew with Sussex, with play restricted by rain. Sussex 454; Leicestershire 255 for 9 (Cornford 4 for 27).

At Colchester: Essex drew with Yorkshire. Yorkshire 273 and 278 for 8 (Lester 87); Essex 473 for 6 declared.

At Portsmouth: Hampshire beat Combined Services by 5 wickets. Combined Services 237 and 204 (Parnaby 66, Dakman 70, Dean 6 for 73); Hampshire 335 and 108 for 5 (Blake 54, Guard 58).—Reuter.

Dodgers Trounce Reds

New York, July 15.

Home runs by leftfielder Tommy Brown, catcher Roy Campanella and second baseman Jackie Robinson, plus some sloppy fielding enabled the Brooklyn Dodgers to trounce the Cincinnati Reds 11-5 in the National League today.

Brown's homer was good for three runs in the second inning, Campanella's in the fifth was good for two.

The Washington Senators exploded for six runs in the eighth to beat the Chicago White Sox 6-4 in the American League.

Washington collected a seasonal high of 18 hits as outfielder Sam Mele pounded out four singles good for three runs. The big eighth was piled up on six hits, a walk and shortstop Luke Appling's throwing error. The victory enabled Washington to move 2½ games in front of the seventh place White Sox.

The Detroit Tigers pushed over four runs in the ninth inning to share the Boston Red Sox 8-7 and snap Boston's winning streak at eight games.

SCORES:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H
Cincinnati	5	10
Brooklyn	11	10

Winning pitcher Don Newcombe
loser Ken Ruffensberger.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington	6	10
Chicago	4	11
Boston	7	10
Detroit	8	17

Winning pitcher Lloyd Hittle
loser Bill Wight.
Winning pitcher Dizzy Trout
loser Jack Kramer.
—Associated Press.

BRITISH AAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

London, July 15.

All three finals which were decided on the first day of the British Amateur Athletic Association's championships at the White City, London, today went to foreign athletes.

Hungary took the first two places in the throwing-the-hammer final, the event being won by the Olympic champion Imre Nemeth, with a throw of 182 feet 5-1/2 inches, which was 11 feet 2 inches below his own world record.

L. Petiko, of Hungary, was second with 162 feet, 8-1/2 inches and D.M. Clarke, of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, was third with 162 feet, five inches.

The Dutch athlete H. Vis Dimond took the hop, step and jump final with exactly 47 feet. L.W. Davies, of the Achilles Club, was second with 46 feet, 11-1/4 inches, and S. Cross, of Birchfield Harriers, was third with 46 feet 4-3/4 inches.

The best race of the day was the six miles final in which the Estonian, V. Lillakas, who is resident in England and was running for the Polytechnic Club, overtook the holder S.E.W. Cox, of Southgate Harriers, in the last 20 yards to win in 30 minutes, 15 seconds.

Both finished in 30 minutes 16.4 seconds, and W. Konneth, of Manchester, who was third, took 30 minutes, 19.2 seconds.

The crowd, which included 5,000 schoolboys, were disappointed that Arthur Wint, the Olympic 400 metres champion could not compete in the 440 yards event because of a pulled muscle.

The finals of the other events will be decided tomorrow.—Reuter.

13 OUR LUCKY DAY

In Commemoration of Our 1st Anniversary.

July 13 is our 1st Lucky Day. The date was written on a piece of paper which was put by us in a closed envelope which was sealed by our Solicitor Mr. A. el Arculli and put by him in his safe under lock and key. The formal breaking of the seal took place at noon on 16th instant in the presence of and witnessed by our said Solicitor. Patrons holding our 1st Lucky Day receipts (13 July) are hereby requested to call at our Companies with such receipts for the exchange of goods to the value of 50% face amounts within one month from today.

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